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Red Cross sets water training

BY ELLIS C. CUEVAS

The Mississippi Gulf Coast Chapter of the American Red Cross would like to offer a water safety instructor training course in the Bay-Waveland area if enough students are interested.

Shawn Tusa said, "I would like to teach a course in the Bay-Waveland area, but this will be determined from where I draw students."

Instructor candidates must be at least 17 years old.

The information gained from the Red Cross instruction can be used to teach swimming and water safety courses.

For further information, contact Tusa, 467-3992, or Dianne Stephens, 896-4511.

Library holidays

All three branches of the Hancock County Library System - Bay St. Louis, Pascagoula, and Waveland - will be closed on Monday, Feb. 19, for Presidents' Day.

Magic cuts 115

BY MARY G. SEILEY

If Casino Magic employees are nervous these days, their new boss doesn't appear to be, as dozens of heads roll off the payroll.

Friday, 115 workers got notices, leaving the corporation workforce at 2,047 in Bay St. Louis and Biloxi.

Officials say the casino corporation, based in Bay St. Louis, is amid a personnel cut-back and reshuffling as it gears up to "focus" its operations.

Or, as James E. Ernst puts it, to "concentrate" on developing its Mississippi facilities to the fullest.

As the new man in charge, Ernst had just as soon you call him "Ed." Not Mr. Ernst, CEO and president of Casino Magic. "I don't like titles," he says.

He's sipping on a cup of cof-

fee in a casual first-floor area of the casino in Bay St. Louis, dressed casually in a pullover sweater and slacks for an interview. Not upstairs in the corporate office in a suit and tie.

But there's a lot more room these days upstairs in that corporate office since Ernst came to town - he let some fellow corporate office holders go recently, and shuffled some others from their desk jobs to hands-on duties. About 15 to 20 mid-to-high level jobs were impacted.

For example, vice presidents now gone include Len Krick and J.B. Rose. Bruce Norse has been moved from corporate "Vice President of Compliance" with state and federal regulations, to the man in charge of boosting the Biloxi

casino's presence in Biloxi. Norse was once the interim executive director of the Gaming Commission.

And the changes keep coming. On Friday, while Ernst was answering questions about the direction of Casino Magic, more layoffs were in progress: 115 employees were let go in Bay St. Louis and Biloxi, vacating positions in gaming, food and beverage, housekeeping and other departments.

The cuts, said Magic's chief financial officer Jay Osman were a cost-containment step. "As an on-going business practice, we continuously evaluate our operating strategy and work on improving efficiency.

"To achieve this objective, we are containing costs in all areas,

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Mayors want landfill

BY ED LEPOMA

The mayors of Bay St. Louis and Waveland stand ready to push for opening a county landfill in the rural Standard community despite supervisors opposition to the plan.

"Bay St. Louis is not interested in backtracking," Les Fillingame, who serves as chairman of the Solid Waste District, told supervisors. "Waveland echoes those sentiments," said Mayor John Mason.

The city representatives did offer a compromise: Open up 10-acres of Standard for a

landfill, and use the remaining 80 acres to extend the life of the rubbish site, scheduled to be closed down by June 30.

Supervisors promised to weigh the offer, although

Board President Philip Moran said, "I'm not in favor of putting a landfill in nobody's back yard."

After the workshop, Fillingame said the District will spon-

Board places cap on bikeway

BY ED LEPOMA

The Hancock County Board of Supervisors has agreed to commit a total \$175,380 as its share to build a pedestrian walkway/bikeway path meandering along the beach front and through Bay St. Louis and Waveland.

Supervisors have passed a resolution 4-1 reaffirming the decision of the previous Board to fund the project, with one stipulation. Board President Philip Moran said, "I couldn't be supportive" if the county's share exceeds the estimated cost.

And, District 2 Supervisor Rodrick "Rocky" Pullman of Pearlington holds the distinction of casting the first negative vote since new supervisors took office Jan. 2.

Pullman voted against the resolution, at the board's Feb. 5 meeting, saying "plenty of roads need to be black-topped," and the funds could be put to better use. Pullman said the

monies could be better spent raising Beach Boulevard near Lakeshore Drive, which regularly floods during high tides or rough weather.

A federal grant of \$951,000 has been approved for the project, but Hancock County and the cities of Bay St. Louis and Waveland must come up with 25 percent of the \$1.2 million cost of the entire project.

The County has budgeted \$76,000 this fiscal year as its share of the project, but even that appropriation is in question. The previous Board of Supervisors took that amount from the county's seawall tax revenues. New supervisors have asked county attorney Gerald Gex to solicit a ruling from the state Attorney General's office on whether the funds could be used for such purposes.

Supervisors later voted 5-0 to abandon any funding for the

sor a resolution at its March 4 meeting, saying it intends to go forward with plans to open Standard, and asking supervisors support.

Representatives of the Solid Waste District met in a workshop session with the five-member Hancock County Board of Supervisors and Chancery Court Clerk Tim Kellar Thursday afternoon.

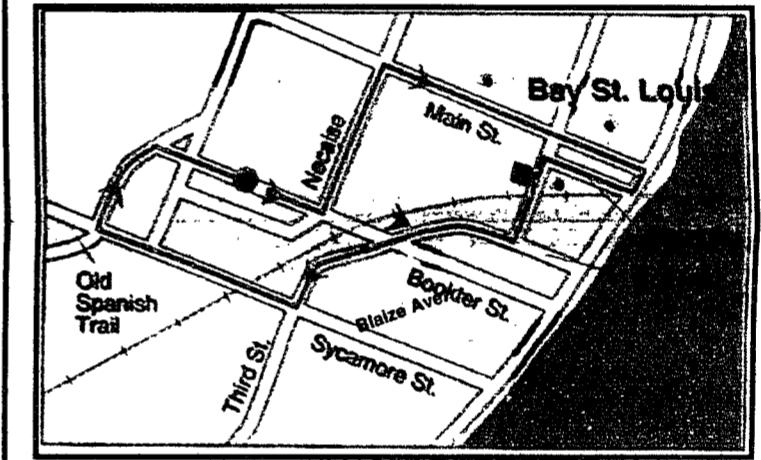
The meeting was requested because the newly elected supervisors and the board that preceded them have balked at creating a county Solid Waste Authority, which would buy the remaining 90 acres of Section 16 School Board land adjacent to the 41-acre rubbish site at Standard, and open it up as a county landfill.

Fillingame said he spoke for

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Real People royalty

The Krewe of Real People's Tuesday Mardi Gras parade will be led by King Eric Labat and his wife Queen Katrina Labat. The parade begins at 1 p.m. See map below for parade route and page 3A for related story.



Bay High loses in final

BY RICHARD MEEK

Bay High's Cinderella season came up one agonizing chapter

short of a fairy tale ending.

The Lady Tigers fell to Vicksburg 4-2 in the state soccer

championship at Pearl High School on Saturday.

"This is a great disappointment," Bay High coach Ken Matthew said as tears expressed his emotion. "But when you put it in perspective, to be one of the top two teams in the state, is an honor." The Lady Tigers, despite being outshot 14-1 in the second half, led 2-1 with under 20 minutes remaining on Michelle Pernicaro's two goals. But with 16:40 left, the Gators Cheryl Griffith scored on a breakaway to tie the game.

Three minutes later Kristin Chapman scored the second of her two goals on a penalty kick to give the Gators the lead for good at 3-2 with 13:27 left.

"The penalty kick was the turning point," said Matthew, who in his first year as coach guided both the boys and girls teams into the playoffs.

Vicksburg dominated the early going but was repeatedly turned away by Lady Tiger goalie Alicia Gavagnie. Gavagnie blocked four Vicksburg shots in the first three minutes. Bay High's first shot on goal came ten minutes into the game.

"A couple of people did not have their best game," Matthew said. "In a championship game everybody has to play their best to win." But we did have several injuries," he added. "It was a rough and tough game."

Pernicaro scored her first goal off of a corner kick with 21:10 left in the first half to give Bay High a 1-0 lead. It was only the fourth shot attempt for the Lady Tigers.

"I felt fortunate about being up 1-0 because we were not dominating," Matthe said. "Vicksburg beat us to the ball."

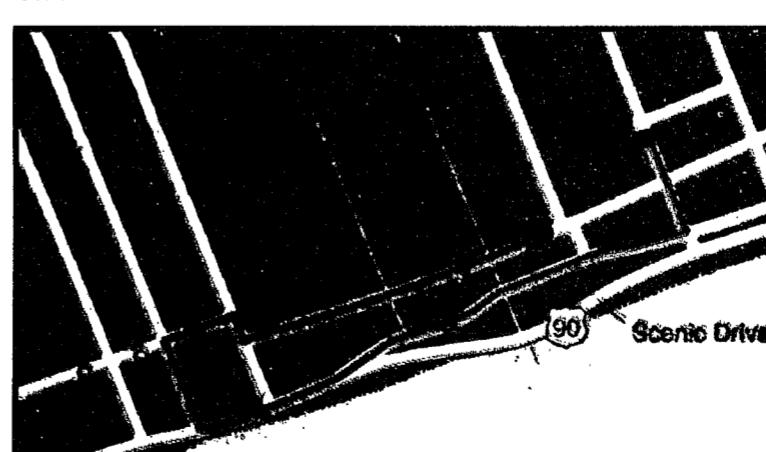
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Thur.	3:35 a.	7:49 a.
	2:56 p.	
Fri.	3:32 p.	12:56 a.
Sat.	4:17 p.	3:05 a.



Wedding toast

The Bay-Waveland community came together on Valentine's Day to make the wedding of Joshua "Jack" Collins and Carol Owens a special affair at the Hotel Reed Nursing Center. See story on page 8A. (Photo courtesy of Jimmy Loiacano)



Pass parade

St. Paul's Carnival Association's annual Mardi Gras parade is scheduled for 1p.m. today in Pass Christian.

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OBITUARIES

HELEN M. ALTERGOTT
SYLVESTER CROCHET, RA
JOHN A. ERWIN
HELEN INEZ FORET
DAVID E. LUDWIG
PATRICIA SHANNON
O'NEILL
JOSEPHINE DAUTH
OUSTALET
JOHN C. PARKER
KERMIT WHEAT JR.

HELEN M. ALTERGOTT
Mrs. Henry (Helen) Olson Altergott Sr., 89, of Little Chute, Wis., died Thursday, Feb. 8, 1996 in Little Chute. She was born April 7, 1906 in West Allis, Wis.

Survivors include a daughter, Helen (Charles) Hoover of Minnesota; three sons, Henry (Billie) Altergott and Harry (Evelyn) Altergott, both of Little Chute, and Harvey (Elise) Altergott of Vienna, Md.; and seven grandchildren, Mark Altergott, Harry J. Altergott, Helen and Helene Altergott, all of Little Chute, Gretchen and Elise Altergott of Maryland, and Marlene (David) Ladner of Pass Christian.

Services will be conducted Monday at 11 a.m. at Wiedmann Funeral Home in Appleton, Wis.

SYLVESTER CROCHET, RA
Sylvester H. Crochet, R.A., 75, of Pass Christian, died Tuesday, Feb. 13, 1996, in Pass Christian.

Mr. Crochet was a native of New Orleans, La., and a retired architect. He received his BS degree in architecture in 1942 from Tulane University and did postgraduate study in naval architecture. He was employed by Higgins Industries during World War II and served as New Orleans City architect from 1946 to 1950. He was founder and organizer of the New Orleans Yacht Club and served as first commodore. He was a member of the American Correctional Association, the Pass Christian Isles Golf Club and the Pass Christian Art Association.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Otho H. and Edna Bergeron Crochet.

Survivors include his wife, Inge Crochet of Pass Christian; a son Richard Crochet of Fort Lauderdale, Fla., and a grandson.

Services were conducted Thursday at Riemann Funeral Home in Pass Christian. Burial was in Live Oak Cemetery in Pass Christian.

The family prefers memorials to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, Tenn. 38105.

JOHN A. ERWIN

John Alton Erwin, 78, of Bay St. Louis, died Tuesday, Feb. 13, 1996, in Gulfport.

Mr. Erwin was a native of Bay St. Louis and a Methodist. He was preceded in death by his parents, James E. and Florence Edney Erwin Sr.; three brothers, Ernest Erwin, Clifton Erwin and Earl Erwin; and three sisters, Edrie Erwin Cox, Katherine Erwin Jordy and Lisa Erwin Burrow.

Survivors include several nieces and nephews. A private service will be conducted at a later date.

Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis is in charge of arrangements.

The family prefers memorials to the American Cancer Society.

HELEN INEZ WALE
HOFFMAN FORET
Mrs. Helen Inez Wale Hoffman Foret, 71, of Clermont Harbor, died Friday, Feb. 16, 1996, in Slidell, La.

Mrs. Foret was a native of Lecompte, La., and a former resident of Cleveland, Ohio. She was a member of St. Ann Catholic Church and the Ladies Altar Society.

She was preceded in death by one son, Frank Hoffman Jr.; one daughter, Susan Hoffman; by her father and mother, Victor and Leona Spence Wale; two brothers, James Earl Wale and John Richard Wale; three sisters, Agnes Wale Barbier, Ethel Wale Wakefield and Dorothy Ann Wale Hall.

Survivors include her husband Louis E. Foret of Clermont Harbor; one son Stephen Hoffman of Phoenix, Arizona; two daughters, Vickie Hunter and Mary Jane Mullins, both of Phoenix; one brother, Martin Wale of Crowley, La.; six grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

An 11 a.m. Mass will be celebrated on Monday at St. Ann Catholic Church in Clermont Harbor, where friends may call

two hours before the service. The family prefers Masses. Interment will be private.

Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis is in charge of the arrangements.

DAVID E. LUDWIG

David E. Ludwig, 73, of Diamondhead, died Wednesday, Feb. 14, 1996, in Bay St. Louis.

Mr. Ludwig was a retired production manager for the textile industry.

A native of Saigon, Pa., he was a member of Diamondhead Community Church, where he taught Sunday School. Previously, he was a member of and Sunday School teacher at Bristol Methodist Church, Bristol, Pa. Mr. Ludwig coached both Little League baseball and Babe Ruth League baseball in Makefield, Pa. He was active in Boy Scouts of America as an Eagle Scout, a Cubmaster in Bristol, and later served on Diamondhead Area Council with the Boy Scouts of America. He was a member of F&AM Lodge 25 in Bristol and the Diamondhead Square and Compass Club. He was a member of the American Legion in Bay St. Louis, the AARP, the Diamondhead Performing Arts, Diamondhead Community Association and the Krewe of Diamondhead. He was a veteran of World War II having served in the U.S. Navy. He worked for Thomas L. Leedon Carpet Mill, Bristol, then for A-1 Tobias Cotzan Clothing Manufacturing in Los Angeles, Calif. and finally for Berven Carpet Mill, Fresno, Calif.

Mr. Ludwig was preceded in death by a sister, Florence Tryon and a brother, Chester Ludwig.

Survivors include his wife, Virginia Stackhouse Ludwig of Diamondhead; two brothers, Loyd G. Ludwig of Pennsylvania and William L. Ludwig of Whiting, N.J.; two sisters, Alice L. Swank and Carolyn Keeten, both of Fairless Hill, Pa.

A funeral service will be conducted Monday, Feb. 19 at 2 p.m. at Diamondhead Community Church with a fellowship to follow.

The family prefers memorials to Diamondhead Community Church.

PATRICIA SHANNON
O'NEILL

Patricia Shannon O'Neill, 45, died Thursday, Feb. 15, 1996, in New Orleans.

Mrs. O'Neill was a native of Savannah, Ga., and a Coast resident most of her life. She was a 1968 graduate of Long Beach High School. She was a very active member of St. Patrick Episcopal Church in Long Beach and a member of the Mission Committee. She was a teacher's assistant at Harper-McCaughan in Long Beach for eight years.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Joseph and Mary Collins Shannon.

Survivors include her husband, Martin J. O'Neill; a son, Martin J. O'Neill Jr.; two sisters, Nancy Sechrist, all of Long Beach; and Susan Brock of DeLisle.

A service was held Saturday at St. Patrick Episcopal Church in Long Beach with burial in Gulf Pines Memorial Gardens in Long Beach.

The family prefers memorials to St. Patrick Episcopal Church, Patricia O'Neil Fund, 603 Magnolia, Long Beach, MS 59560.

Riemann Funeral Home in Long Beach was in charge of arrangements.

JOSEPHINE DAUTH
OUSTALET

Josephine Dauth Oustalet, 92, of New Orleans died Thursday, Feb. 15, 1996, in New Orleans.

Mrs. Oustalet was a native of New Orleans.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Maurice Oustalet, Jr.

Survivors include one son, A.J.M. (Bubba) Oustalet Jr. of Pass Christian; three daughters, Jeanette O. Enderle of Biloxi, Doris O. Yent of Metairie, La., and Penny O. Pierce of Crete, Ill.; 21 grandchildren; 38 great-grandchildren; and a great-great-grandchild.

A Catholic Mass will be at 2 p.m. Monday at Jacob-Schoen & Sons Funeral Home, Canal Street, New Orleans, where friends may call from 11 a.m. until service time. Burial will be in Lake Lawn Mausoleum in Metairie.

JOHN C. PARKER

John C. Parker, 82, of Kiln died Thursday, Feb. 15, 1996, in

Pass Christian.

Mr. Parker was a native of Raleigh and had been a resident of Kiln for two years, moving from Gonzales, La. He was an Army veteran of World War II and was a carpenter.

Survivors include his wife, Troy Omega Parker of Pearl; five daughters, Betty Amos, Ann McLaughlin, both of Kiln, Connie Parker of Jackson, Debbie Warren of Pearl and Troy Breau of Gonzales; two sons, John Mack Parker of Jackson and Larry Peterson; a half-sister Pete Courtney, both of Hattiesburg; and 11 grandchildren.

Survivors include his father, Roy and stepmother, Roy and Christine Wheat of Lumberton; his mother and stepfather, Gene and Barbara Spiers Cuevas of Bay St. Louis; two brothers, Greg Wheat of Shreveport, La., and Duke Cuevas of Ocala, Fla.; and four sisters, Debbie Cavendish of Poplarville, Susie Arnold of Lumberton, Kathy Gainey of Pensacola, Fla., and Krasinski Cuevas of Bay St. Louis.

Services were conducted Friday at Picayune Funeral Home, with burial in Catahoula Cemetery in Kiln.

KERMIT WHEAT JR.

Kermit "Kim" Wheat Jr., 33,

COMMUNITY SERVICES

Alzheimer Support Group

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ful and strong man, and whenever
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We loved you so much as we
always will, and in our hearts, sad-
ness is all we feel.

Oh, how I wait for the day to
arrive when we are with you again,
even though in my eyes you are still
alive.

You are such a great part of me,
that I will always treasure all the
love and strength that is too great
to measure.

There's so many things that I
want to tell you, but I wonder if you
hear what I say, and if you don't,
then I'll see you on that special day
when we are together again and
everything is how it should be.

Thanks for everything you have
done for me. I'll never think that it's
all through as long as you remember
that I will always love you.

—By Amanda Lee Bounds

of Bay St. Louis, died Wednesday,
Feb. 14, 1996, in Bay St. Louis.

Mr. Wheat was a native of
Picayune and was a chef for
Universal Oden. He was a member
of College Heights Baptist Church in Poplarville.

Survivors include his father,
Roy and stepmother, Roy and
Christine Wheat of Lumberton;

his mother and stepfather, Gene and
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two brothers, Greg Wheat of Shreveport,
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Eric Labats to lead Real People parade

Special to the Echo
The Krewe of Real People celebrated its 15th annual Mardi Gras ball. This year's theme was "Memories."

Reigning over the festivities were King Eric Labat and his wife, Queen Katrina. The court consisted of past kings and queens who have reigned for the Krewe of Real People.

King Eric is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph (Rudy) Labat of Bay St. Louis. He is a 1980 graduate of St. Stanislaus in Bay St. Louis and received a bachelor of science degree in mathematics from the University of Southern Mississippi.

Labat is an active member of St. Rose de Lima Catholic Church. A few of his community involvements include: chairperson, assisting youth with summer employment (AYSE) program; St. Stanislaus College Pre Sesqui Project Team leader; the Navoceano advisor to the Southeastern Consortium for Minorities in Engineering Club at Hancock High School.

Labat is a member of the Hancock County NAACP, USM Alumni Association, Stennis Chapter of Blacks in Government, Knights of Peter Claver and Pere Blane Council No. 6, Bay St. Louis.

He is a life member of the Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity

(No. 7209) Incorporated. Labat has 13 years of service in the federal government with the Naval Oceanographic Office and is an oceanographer in the Geophysical/Acoustics Data Base Division and also the Black Employment Program coordinator in the Navoceano work force.

Queen Katrina is the daughter of Lillie Lane of Lexington, Md. and Anthony Lane of Brunswick, Ga.

She is a 1982 honor graduate of Glynn Academy High School, Brunswick, Ga. She has a bachelor of science degree in computer science from Valdosta State College, Valdosta, Ga.

Katrina is an active member of First Missionary Baptist Church, Bay St. Louis. She is a charter member of the Stennis Chapter of Blacks in Government and a member of the Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated.

Katrina is recognized by Outstanding Young Women of America. She has eight years of service as a mathematician with the Naval Oceanographic Office, where she is presently working in the system's integration department.

The Real People ball this year was in honor of Mr. Roger James, a retired principal in the Bay-Waveland School District.

He is a graduate of Valena C. Jones High School.

James holds a bachelor of science degree in math, a master's in guidance and counseling, and a specialist degree in administration.

James is a 28-year member of the Mississippi National Guard and is currently a supervisor for B&W Services at Stennis Space Center.

He is a member of Little Providence Baptist Church and is married to the former Lula S. Benson. They have four children and nine grandchildren.

Serving as grand marshal is Melette Pendleton, anchorwoman for WLOX-TV in Biloxi.

She is a native of Washington D.C. and graduated from Howard University with honors in 1991.

Pendleton will preside over the Krewe of Real People's parade on Mardi Gras Day in Bay St. Louis at 1 p.m.

Mistress of ceremony for the ball was Candace A. Payne, daughter of Gloria Payne of Bay St. Louis and the late Milton S. Payne.

She is a junior attending Rust College in Holly Springs, where she is majoring in mass communication, broadcast journalism and is first anchor at Rust College television station, RCTV 2.

Supervisors rescind landfill motion

BY ED LEPOMA

The Hancock County Board of Supervisors have rescinded a resolution that sought to keep a private developer from opening a rubbish site off Hwy. 43, northwest of Kiln.

Supervisors, by a 5-0 vote, had passed a resolution at its Feb. 5 meeting sponsored by District 4 Supervisor Steve Seymour. Seymour's resolution asked the Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality to delete the site off Firetower Road from alternative sites proposed in the county's

20-year solid waste plan.

Seymour explained the county is working with NASA officials to find land in the buffer zones around the Stennis Space Center for a county rubbish site and landfill, and there was no reason DEQ needs to permit a private site.

After the resolution was passed, however, board attorney Gerald Gex said he had "legal problems" with it, and Thursday, he asked supervisors to rescind it.

Gex said he thought supervisors would face a court suit from

the private developer because the land he wants permitted is also in NASA's buffer zone.

"He (the developer) could sue us for trying to interfere with his rights to start up a business, simply because it might be in competition with the county," said Gex.

The other problem, Gex said, is the resolution to amend the county's 20-year plan would have to be concurred in by other members of the Solid Waste District, which includes the cities of Bay St. Louis and Waveland. He said, on its own, supervisors cannot legally change the plan.

Still standing and forwarded to DEQ is a resolution supervisors passed in January "strongly opposing" plans by Curtis Wayne Johnson to open a 50-acre rubbish site on part of 160 acres he owns off Firetower Road.

DEQ's Permit Board held a public hearing on the request in early January, and several nearby residents complained they didn't want a rubbish site so close to their homes. They said the operation would decrease the value of their property, and the heavy trucks hauling the debris would damage county roads.

DEQ has the Johnson request for a permit under consideration, and is allowing 60 days for comments.

The county's 41-acre rubbish site at Standard is nearing capacity, and, if Johnson gets his permit, he could charge Hancock residents to dump construction debris, trees, limbs and other material they are now dumping free of charge at Standard.

Book recycling nets \$3,471 to local schools

BY ED LEPOMA

Eleven area schools shared in cash rewards totaling \$3,471.41 for participating in this year's Tri-County telephone recycling program.

The students and schools they represented were honored and presented individual checks for their efforts Monday during a meeting of the Hancock County Board of Supervisors.

Cindy Vernon, executive director of the Hancock County Chamber of Commerce, congratulated the students for breaking a collection record the third year in a row.

"Through your efforts we saved approximately 363 cubic yards of landfill space, and 1834 trees coastwide," said Vernon.

She said, "We will far surpass our goal of collecting 110 tons of books, and estimates are about 150 tons has been collected."

Also, for the first time, Vernon said, "An end user has been found for the books." She said Fibermaster, a recycling firm in Monroe, Louisiana, paid \$3,850 for the books, which was used to make the cash donations to participating schools in the three counties.

Leaders in the local drive included Diamond Head Academy, with 81 students collecting 455 books (5.6 per student). The school was presented a check for \$182.77.

Hancock North Central's 1100 students participating collected 1952 books, and received a check for \$784.23.

Others schools participating, and the checks they received included:

Bay Middle School, 597 students, collecting 1490 books, \$598.61; North Bay Elementary, 371 students, 518 books, \$208.08; Waveland Elementary, 415 students, 1284 books, \$515.84; Charles B. Murphy Elementary, Pearlington, 188 students, 98 books, \$39.32; Gulfview Elementary, 683 students, 68 books, \$27.29; Hancock High School 1500 students, 348 books, \$139.86; Bay Catholic, 312 students, 1544

books, \$620.31; Coast Episcopal Day School, 75 students, 352 books, \$141.39; St. Clare Elementary, 192 students, 532 books, \$213.71.

BellSouth and BellSouth Advertising began the recycling program in 1990, and invites local sponsors to participate. In Hancock County, local sponsors this year included Alcan Cable Corp., Casino Magic, Coast Electric Power Association, the Hancock County Board of Supervisors, and Lockheed's Stennis Space Center operations.

Committee members for this year's drive were: Chairman Ida Macwick, Coast Electric; Julie Cannon, State Farm Insurance; Catherine Green, Casino Magic; Rick Labat, Infinity Graphics; Trey Stanley, Cellular South; and Rick Stewart, BellSouth Regional Manager.

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"CUEVAS' QUOTES"

By Ellis C. Cuevas

Today is the big day for St. Paul's Carnival Association Mardi Gras parade.

Parade time is 1 p.m., and it begins Second and Davis; South on Davis to Scenic; West on Scenic onto U.S. 90 to Henderson; North on Henderson to St. Louis onto Second; and disband at the War Memorial Park.

The Pass parade is a family affair and usually has the largest number of floats of any parade along the Coast.

Mardi Gras Day is Tuesday, and the Krewe of Real People will be celebrating with its big parade through the streets of Bay St. Louis.

Leading the parade will be King Eric Labat and his wife Katrina Labat.

Title for this year's parade, which is scheduled to start at 1 p.m. on Tuesday, is *Memories*.

Real People parade usually has some 40 to 50 floats, maskers, marching groups, etc.

The parade forms on Booker Street and moves down Necessaire to Main Street; Main to Beach Boulevard; Beach to Court Street; Court to Second Street; Second to Union Street; Union Street to Third Street; Third Street to Sycamore Street; Sycamore Street to Old Spanish Trail; Old Spanish Trail to Booker to disband.

The Krewe of Real People is Hancock County's final Mardi Gras parade of the season.

I hope to see you at the parade Tuesday.

It is now a critical time for the Forestry Commission because of wild fires.

The severe cold weather this winter has killed more grasses than normal.

A burning ban has been issued by the Forestry Commission.

Both Bay St. Louis and Waveland have also issued a burning ban on debris.

With some of the strong winds we have had in recent weeks, it does not take long for a woods fire to get out of control.

Thousands of trees were killed by some 20 woods fires between Sunday and Wednesday in Hancock County.

Hancock Forester Mark Jamieson reports 12 were arson woods fires. Those charged with arson can face some stiff penalties.

I urge all residents throughout Hancock County to please observe the burning ban.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Resident says Hwy. 603 should honor Griffin

To the Editor:

I read in the newspaper about Hwy. 603 being named for one of our distinguished Hancock County citizens.

I think we should remember the Honorable Judge J. Ruble Griffin.

Ruble was one of the most liked and respected men in our

county and state.

Ruble served our county as an honorable lawyer, board of supervisors' attorney, circuit judge, and state Supreme Court judge.

I feel Ruble has earned this honor.

Jerry L. Ladner
Waveland

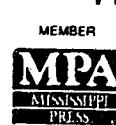
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Ready for arrest

"Keystone Cop" Mike Necaise, left, was ready to make the arrest of "Outlaw" Eric Necaise as part of the Bay St. Louis Centennial Celebration held the week of August 4-9, 1958. The two Mississippi Power Company employees joined hundreds of Bay St. Louis residents in celebrating with the city's centennial celebration. Kangaroo courts, parades, special events, wooden nickles, beards, stocks, fines for clean-shaven men, etc. were all part of the festivities. In early years Bay St. Louis was known as Shieldsborough. (Photo courtesy of Mike Necaise of Bay St. Louis). The Echo welcomes photos older than 25 years for publication. They will be returned to their owners.

FROM THE MISSISSIPPI SENATE

By State Senator Scottie Cuevas

Senate debates bills on floor-action deadline

Submitted by Senator Scottie R. Cuevas

From youth detention facilities to telescopic sights on primitive firearms — more than 200 bills faced Senate deadline action last week.

Thursday, Feb. 15, was the final day for original floor action on general bills and constitutional amendments originating in the Senate. Friday, Feb. 16, was the deadline for the Senate to reconsider any of those bills.

Monday, Feb. 19, was the final day to dispose of motions to reconsider Senate bills. The bills approved by the Senate now move to the House of Representatives for consideration.

This week, Senate committees will begin to discuss House bills, while the House will to the same with bills that passed the Senate. Appropriations and revenue bills can be introduced through Feb. 28, the deadline for them to be considered on the floor in the chamber where they originated.

Last week, the Senate took the following action:

—Approved creation of a uniform youth court system, and the Mississippi Streetgang Act;

—Rejected creation of a Mississippi Department of Children's Affairs with other agency youth functions transferred to it. However, portions of this bill were incorporated later into other bills.

—Rejected requiring local governments to accept location of manufactured housing in zoning plans. After lengthy debate, the bill was "recommitted" or sent back to the Municipalities Committee, in effect killing the bill since the committee would not be meeting again before the floor action deadline.

—Approved issuing up to \$40-million in bonds for two regional juvenile detention facilities, one to be located in the north part of the state and the other in the southern part.

—Approved some \$150,000 in pay raises for various state and local officials. Legislators were not included.

—Passed the so-called "Motor Voter" bill, which will allow voter registration at driver's license offices and other agencies by persons who want to vote in state elections. Citizens can already register in those locations to vote in federal

elections.

On Friday, the Senate passed a resolution I authored to commend Kiln native and NFL Player of the Year Brett Favre. **WILDLIFE BILLS**

In wildlife measure, the Senate passed a bill to revoke hunting privileges for any person causing a hunting accident and a bill to allow hunters to use telescopic sights with primitive firearms. Another bill "clarified" the game status of white-tailed deer — that the only deer to be hunted in Mississippi are white-tailed deer. Other species have been imported but are not to be hunted.

Relating to education, the Senate approved bills to require newly-elected school board members to have a high school education. A bill to require criminal history background checks on all school district employees was defeated. The chief objection to this bill came from Senators who opposed mandatory firing of any non-teaching employee with a felony conviction.

The Senate approved bills to permit fund-raising by school districts and to increase funding for local alternative school programs.

A bill also passed a transfer of adult education programs for welfare recipients from the supervision of the Department of Human Services and the University of Mississippi to the State Board For Community and Junior Colleges.

A bill to create a Pre-College Tuition Program was approved.

On Friday, the Senate voted to consider a new bill to address the severe financial problems in the North Panola School District or any other financially distressed school system.

Several public safety bills also were passed. One bill, for drivers under 21 years of age, revised the blood alcohol level to 0.02 percent from the current 0.10 percent level at which one can be declared "driving under the influence." Also, a driver who refused the breath test would not be eligible for hardship reinstatement of his or her driver's license.

Another bill would require drivers to turn on their vehicle headlights when it's raining enough to turn on the winds.

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FROM THE MISSISSIPPI HOUSE

By Representative J.P. Comprett

A Weekly Summary

Submitted by Representative J.P. Comprett

The House of Representatives, working at an accelerated pace, has given its approval to bills that would deny bail pending appeal for major crimes, make several revisions in the state's assistant teachers program, lay down certain ground rules aimed at helping protect poultry growers, and establish an advance tuition program for future college students.

All together, more than 250 bills and resolutions have won House approval during the past two weeks in a race to meet a legislative deadline. Thursday, (Feb. 15) was the last day for initial floor action in the House and Senate on general bills and constitutional amendments originating in their own chambers.

Major House action in the past week included passage of measures that would:

• Prohibit judges from granting bail pending an appeal to the state Supreme Court for people convicted of certain crimes, including murder, rape, kidnapping, treason, arson, robbery, illegal drug sales, car-jacking and burglary of an occupied dwelling.

• Require the Department of Education to develop a testing procedure for assistant teacher applicants to be used in all school districts, change the official name of "assistant reading instructors" to "assistant teachers," and make other revisions in the assistant teachers' program in elementary schools. The bill also sets up a scholarship program for assistant teachers agreeing to teach in a geographical or academic area with a critical shortage of teachers.

• Establish an advance tuition payment plan to help defray future costs of attending college. Citizens wishing to participate in the program would enter into a contract to help pay in advance for future costs incurred in attending a university, college or community college, either in Mississippi or another state.

The program, recommended by an interim study group created last year, would be administered by an 11-member board, and a special trust fund would be set up in the State Treasury for money coming in from the prepaid tuition contracts.

• Prohibit poultry processors from using intimidation, coercion or threats of contract termination against chicken growers to try to dictate contract terms or force improvements to buildings and equipment except when needed to meet state or federal safety standards.

The bill triggered one of the hottest debates of the 1996 session. It was prompted by a long-simmering disagreement between some processing firms and farmers who contract to raise the chickens. The bill was criticized by some House members as alleged government intervention into the private arena, contending it could eventually do harm to one of the state's biggest industries.

The proposal was hailed by backers as badly needed protection for poultry producers against unfair or arbitrary actions by certain processors.

In other development, the House received word received that the Governor had vetoed a bill aimed at allowing speedy remedial action in the North Panola School District or any other financially distressed school system.

The Governor took issue with a provision in the bill that would allow money to be taken from the state's Working Cash/Stabilization Reserve Fund to provide loans to ailing school districts in a fiscal emergency.

The possibility of seeking passage of a revised measure was being explored as the weekend approached.

Other highlights of the week included passage of measures to expand the Alcohol Boating Safety Act to include public rivers and streams; allow the Department of Corrections to contract with private enterprise to hire state inmates in the custody of the Department of

prison industries;

Also, create an emergency loan fund to help local governments make improvements to water pollution control projects, including repair or replacement of equipment and materials; restrict the sale from incurring general obligation bonded debt of not more than 60 percent of taxes collected for the state's General Fund in any of the four preceding years; clear the way for the Jackson-based University Medical Center to operate facilities at other locations as deemed necessary; and authorize a "Teen Courts" program under the guidance of the youth courts to handle first-time non-violent misdemeanor offenses.

Local school district would be required to let taxpayers have a vote on proposed increases in school taxes in any district where the operating school millage is more than 50 mills under another House-passed bill. The increase would take effect if approved by a majority vote.

The referendum would not be necessary under certain conditions defined in the bill, including situations where a district has to boost millage due to a natural disaster. The changes, if finally enacted into law, would take effect in October 1997.

The House voted to authorize the board of Mental Health to establish regional holding centers for people awaiting placement in mental health institutions, using any funds that might be allocated for such purpose.

The Board also would be allowed to participate in any cost-sharing plan or agreement with a public or private entity to assist in establishing and operating a holding center.

Another bill would enable regional mental health/mental retardation commissions to enter into managed care contracts, and provide facilities and services on a discounted or capitated basis.

The House agreed to revise Medicaid laws to give more flexibility to the state Medicaid division in figuring reimbursement payments to hospitals, nursing homes and home health services to help offset an expected \$13 million loss of federal matching dollars to the state.

There was a brisk debate on another bill dealing with home health services before the measure was finally approved. Among other things, the bill would allow a licensed acute care hospital, after obtaining the necessary licenses, to offer home health services to people who had been in-patients at the hospital.

Other bills winning House approval included measures to authorize additional criminal investigators in four circuit court districts (3, 4, 5 and 10); provide an annual payment of \$100,000 in state gaming revenues to the Mississippi Council on Compulsive Gambling, a nonprofit corporation, to help fund a new program for prevention and treatment of compulsive gambling.

A bill to allow the Department of Finance and Administration to offer medical savings accounts as an option in health insurance plans for state and public school employees; authorize new programs in public schools for vision screening of students and dyslexia testing; provide that state inmates will forfeit earned time from their sentences for filing frivolous lawsuits.

To be continued in Thursday's edition

A list of bills introduced in the House can be found at the City-County Library on Hwy. 90 in Bay St. Louis. I can be contacted during the Legislative Session in Jackson at the following telephone number (601) 359-3326, and the mailing address is P.O. Box 1018, Jackson, MS 39215-1018. My address and telephone number in Bay St. Louis is P.O. Box 128, Bay St. Louis, MS 39520, (601) 467-6515. I always welcome citizen's comment and input concerning matters pending in the legislature.

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REFLECTIONS ON LIFE

By Father Jerome
LeDoux, SVD

"My future is behind me," most of us seniors can say as we move quietly through the twilight of our years. Even those of you who cannot yet seriously say those immortal words can feel the urgency of their power breathing heavily upon you.

Cynthia White must have had some kindred feeling Monday morning when she awoke at 6:40 to see her son Kevin's arm dangling from his bed. Rushing over to cover him, she found him breathless and cold throughout his body.

The paramedics, who had been called immediately,

labored at length but in vain to resuscitate him. Thus ended painfully two weeks of high fever, futile doctor's diagnoses, bronchial disorder and, apparently, ultimate bronchial failure.

Bad news bursting through the media on the national scene more often than not centers around our youth who are shot through figuratively and literally with violence, controlled substance trafficking, immorality, profanity and obscenity.

If those wayward youth are our future here on earth, God help us all. The world, then, is

going to pot and far worse, again figuratively and literally. But, thank God, troubled youth, despite their awful impact, are a distinct minority.

Kevin White was one of the majority of our youth who do not fit the profile of such media disasters. Quite a normal boy in every way, he sometimes lagged behind in his studies, wasn't always industrious at work, and liked to have fun.

With interest and respect, he discovered the world of girls. But he avoided drugs, violence and carousing like the plague. A mama's boy, he was rough and

tough in the right way and at the right time, pursuing sports, especially baseball.

In church, his round cherubic face was always alert, curious and pleasant, and he always tried to keep his mother near him, although she invariably sang in the choir. Again, he often came to God's house where so many youth fail to go.

Ironically, while so many of our disparate and desperate young are wasting one another with gunfire of every description, some of our good ones are dying prematurely of natural causes. In Kevin's case, the book of Wisdom has it right:

"The just man, though he die early, shall be at rest. For the age that is honorable comes not with the passing of time, nor can it be measured in terms of years . . . He who pleased God was loved; he who lived among sinners was . . . snatched away lest wickedness pervert his mind" (Wis 4: 7-8, 10-11).

Some 30 hours after Cynthia's anguished discovery, a co-worker from school called to say that Kevin had spoken to her recently about a surprise birthday party for his mother. "He was my life," was all Cynthia could say.

Kevin's was a very simple, uncomplicated life, but it was the stuff of which life is made, the context which makes one glad to be alive, thrilled to share another's life's story.

Rather than the drug-crazed, immoral, lethal control of those youngsters who are making the sensational headlines daily, our future on earth is securely in the hands of the vast majority of Kevin-like youth who try to do their best.

It remains only for us to recognize them, affirm them and lift them up as shining examples to the rest of youth and to the world. At the age of 21, Kevin straddled the world of youth and young adults who pursue the master plan of

COOKING UP A STORM

By Katy McGuire
Caire

I've just come home with a bonanza in freshly-ground beef sirloin "on special" at the meat counter and shall quickly turn some of it into a pan-grilled ground sirloin "steak patty," accented with hearty burgundy wine and fresh mushrooms.

I shall then make up several more for the freezer, and then I'll make a meatloaf for dinner (most of my meatloaf dishes are made with run-of-the-mill ground beef).

I also plan on several meals from leftovers — or, as I prefer to think of them, "planned overs," such as cold meat loaf sandwiches, liberally splashed with hot pepper sauce. A few small chunks will grace the appetizer tray; for, after all, the celebrated "pate de maison" of French cuisine is simply a good meat loaf or terrine! The scraps

and crumbles, with the addition of rice or bread, will make up the stuffing for peppers or tomatoes. And, I shall set aside a pound of the uncooked tender ground beef for:

PICADILLO
1 lb. tender lean ground beef, such as ground sirloin

1 medium bell (green) pepper, chopped coarsely

1 medium onion, chopped coarsely

2 cloves garlic, finely chopped

2 Tblsp. olive oil

1 can (8 oz.) tomato sauce, or 2/3 cup chopped fresh tomatoes

1 tsp. capers, optional

1/2 cup raisins

1/2 cup pimiento-stuffed green olives, sliced

Salt, pepper, cayenne to taste

Heat the olive oil in a skillet, and saute the onion, bell pepper

and garlic until tender, mixing in the ground beef. When beef browns, add the tomato sauce (or tomatoes) with juices. Add capers and raisins and simmer, covered, for 10 minutes, seasoning to your taste.

Just before serving, add the sliced, stuffed olives. Serve over rice. (4 servings)

If there's any left over, I like to heap it on small slices of French bread or pieces of halved French bread, top with shredded Romano or Parmesan cheese, and crisp under the broiler for French Bread Pizza of sorts, which I usually top with salsa. And, of course, when I haven't found a super-buy in ground beef sirloin, I munch happily on plain old ground beef!

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Picadillo

How to cope with extremely contagious influenza virus

It's been quite cold outside recently. You feel feverish and miserable.

Welcome to flu season . . . when a highly contagious virus is spread by inhaling droplets coughed or sneezed by someone who has the virus. Anywhere a large crowd gathers this time of year, you become susceptible to infection.

If you have contact with an infected person, you'll probably show your own symptoms within 24 to 48 hours, according to Leland Kendrick, M.D. Although the virus usually runs its course within a few days, there are some facts you should know about influenza.

Symptoms
Influenza is characterized by fever, chills, sore throat, cough and a headache. According to Dr. Kendrick, most flu sufferers also experience muscle aches. These symptoms can be eased by analgesics (Tylenol or non-steriodals such as Motrin, Advil or Aleve) and rest. Adults may take aspirin; but it should not be used by children to avoid the risk of contracting Reye's Syndrome.

If symptoms are accompanied by a fever more than 101.6 F, blood vomit or stool, signs of dehydration, yellowish skin or eyes or persistent or sharp stomach pain, consult your physician immediately.

There are prescription drugs, such as Flumadine, to combat the spread of influenza virus from one cell to the next. But according to Dr. Kendrick, the drug must be administered

within the first 24-48 hours of sickness to work effectively.

Severity
For most people, influenza is little more than an inconvenience.

"But in some cases, the flu virus invades the lungs and becomes bronchitis or pneumonia," said Dr. Kendrick. For those who are already ill, the flu can have serious consequences.

According to the Centers for Disease Control (CDC), influenza and resulting complications claim as many as 10,000 lives every year.

Here are a few tips to make you more comfortable until the virus runs its course:

— Get plenty of rest.

— Drink clear liquids. If you can't drink a full glass, take frequent, small sips to be sure you are getting adequate fluids. Try water, cracked ice, bouillon or gelatin.

— Eat to keep up your appetite if you are able.

— Take an analgesic for aches and fever.

— Keep warm.

— If you are nauseated, take

fluids in small amounts. Progress to solid foods only after eight hours without vomiting. Choose bland foods like bananas, rice, applesauce, unbuttered toast, soup or dry crackers.

— Avoid beverages with caffeine, such as colas, coffee and tea because they can irritate the stomach.

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Bay schools move to top two

Rocks go after soccer title

BY RICHARD MEEK
St. Stanislaus took one step closer to the Division II state soccer championship with a 7-1

drubbing of Florence in the state semifinals Friday night in Clinton.

The Rock-A-Chaws were

Lady Tigers 3-2 over Clinton

BY RANDY PONDER
The Bay High Lady Tigers advanced to the Girls state soccer championship game with a 3-2 victory over the Clinton Lady Arrows Friday night in Raymond, Miss.

Bay High dominated the game from the start, taking shot after shot on the Clinton goal. Only exceptional play by the Lady Arrow goal keeper stopped the Lady Tigers scoring in the early going.

Clinton scored on a free kick from just outside the box at the 20 minute mark of the first half. It was their first shot on goal.

"Our goalie never saw the ball until it was past her," Bay High Coach Ken Matthew said. "We had setup a wall to stop the shot but the wall shifted, blocking Alicia's view of the ball."

Near the end of the half, Clinton appeared to be about to score again. Bay High was charged with using hands on the soccer ball inside the box, resulting in a penalty shot on goal.

Jennifer Sheldon lined up to take the shot. Lady Tiger goalie Alicia Gavagnie made a spectacular diving block of the line drive kick preventing Clinton from scoring.

On the ensuing corner kick, Gavagnie again stopped a Lady Arrow threat, leaping high in front of the goal to stop another line drive kick.

"That was the turning point in the game," Matthew said. "If we had gone down 2-0 it would have been psychologically hard

to come back."

"When our girls came off the field at half time trailing just 1-0, you could see the confidence in their eyes. They knew they had outplayed Clinton. They knew they could win this game. They went back out there and did what it took to win," an elated Matthew explained.

And the Lady Tigers would not be denied. Just five minutes into the second half, Julie Heitzmann scored on a free kick in front of the Clinton goal.

On her first attempt to kick the ball, a Clinton player rushed in, violating the ten yard rule before the ball was touched and was yellow-carded.

On her next try, Heitzmann's kick sailed into the top back of the net, tying the score at 1-1.

Heitzmann scored again several minutes later on a break away down the right sideline firing the ball into the goal giving the Lady Tigers their first lead of the game 2-1.

"Clinton could see the game slipping away. You could see it in their eyes," Matthew said.

Bay High scored again at the 30 minute mark when Michelle Perniciaro collected a crossing pass from Heitzmann and punched it in for the score.

Clinton added a late goal on a corner kick making the score look closer then the game really was.

The Lady Tigers, 14-2, face the Vicksburg Gators Saturday for the Girls State Soccer championship.

ASA steps up net ban effort

The American Sportfishing Association announced it was stepping up efforts to win a net ban in Mississippi after gill netters shot at two state conservation officers earlier this week.

"Mississippi is among the last few safe harbors in the Gulf of Mexico for gill nets and similar entanglement nets. These nets are indiscriminate killers of fish and wildlife," said ASA Vice President Mike Nussman.

"Now it appears those who care so little about our fisheries resources care less about the law and the lives of Mississippi conservation officers.

"ASA intends to double efforts on this issue in the Mississippi Legislature," Nussman said. "By upping the ante this way, ASA will make sure the state's elected representatives understand how these netting operations hurt the state economy. Commercial netters have had such experts working for them for years, ASA is evening the odds."

Last year, ASA told the Department of Marine Resources that gill nets were hurting the state's red drum and mullet

populations, killing mammals, birds and turtles and driving tourists and recreational anglers away from Mississippi's coastal communities. ASA also agreed to fund a lobbyist to help the Gulf Coast Conservation Association of Mississippi to help win netting restrictions in 1996.

More than 100,000 resident adult anglers and 60,000 non-resident anglers make over 670,000 trips to Mississippi annually seeking game fish. Non-resident tourists comprise about 34-40 percent of the state's coastal anglers and are an important source of revenue.

Anglers spend \$38 million in Mississippi in pursuit of red drum, spotted sea trout, croaker, flounder and other species.

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scheduled to play St. Joseph of Greenville Saturday in the title game at Pearl High School. St. Joseph defeated Oxford 6-1 in the semifinals.

Casey Swanson scored three goals and Jason Wadsworth two for the Rocks, who were never threatened after the opening minute. SSC has outscored its last two opponents 16-1. The Eagles goal was the first Stanislaus goalie Fernando Jimenez has yielded in ten games.

"The kids are focused," Rock coach Tim Burns said. "They really want to win this state title."

SSC took the suspense out of the semifinals early. Swanson's first goal came at the 34 minute mark of the first half and gave the Rocks a 1-0 lead. Minutes later, Wadsworth narrowly missed on his first shot, but with 28:15 left, scored on a breakaway to give the Rocks a 2-0 lead.

Five minutes later, Brad Cannon scored his 99th career

goal on a long shot to give the Rocks a 3-0 lead. Wadsworth breakaway goal with 20 minutes gave the Rocks a 4-0 halftime lead.

"We stress to the kids to get ahead early," Burns said. "Once Florence saw we were superior it took the wind out of their sails."

The scoring onslaught continued in the second half as Wadsworth scored with 33:10 left to give SSC a 5-0 lead. Swanson added his third goal with 28 minutes left and Casey Heitzmarin closed out the Rock scoring on a long kick with 19:08 left.

Damon Clark of Florence scored on a penalty kick with 11:35 left.

"The kids know how good we are," Burns said. "They are confident, not cocky. They know where we stand."

The results from the St. Stanislaus/St. Joseph game was unavailable at press time. A story on the game will appear in Thursday's edition.

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Bay schools sweep district in basketball

Lady Tigers win district

BY RICHARD MEEK

Not since LBJ sat in the oval office, strawberry fields forever, and bell-bottoms were hip for the first time, had Bay High worn the mantle of district champion.

But the Lady Tigers won their first district title since 1968 on Thursday night with a 44-33 victory over Picayune in Petal.

"This is tremendously gratifying," said Bay High coach Debbie Triplett, who has guided the Tigers from the district cellar to the penthouse in only three years.

"We set our goals this year to win district," added Triplett, who was 0-28 in her first year at Bay High. "The kids responded well."

The Lady Tigers, who will host a playoff game Monday night, overcame a dismal shooting performance against Picayune. Bay High did not score more than 12 points in a quarter, went scoreless for five minutes in the fourth quarter and made only four of 11 free throws.

"We didn't play well but it was good enough to win," Triplett said. "We've never been in this situation before but I think the lack of experience hurt us. I just kept encouraging them and told them to hang in there."

Valerie Christmas, named the District 7, Class 4A offensive MVP, led Bay High with 15 points. Alicia Gavagnie had 12 points, 11 rebounds, three steals and two blocks for the Lady Tigers, 24-4.

Bay High standout Chanda Haley was saddled with foul trouble and scored only six

points before fouling out with 4:46 remaining.

"(Haley) was not a factor," Triplett said. "Losing her hurt us in every aspect. But, we don't focus on one player. We tell the kids anyone can come in and do the job."

Erin Dease led Picayune, 13-14, with 12 points. She also grabbed the game-high 20 rebounds, as the Lady Tide outrebounded Bay High, 52-26. Dease also hit four blocks and four steals.

"I expected us to outrebound them," Triplett said. "But a lot of their rebounds were long and we were out of position."

Bay High led 12-11 at the end of the first quarter, and increased the lead to 22-15 with 2:32 left in the second. But Dease, who scored four straight to end the half, and cut the Lady Tiger lead to 22-19.

Haley and Lisa Warborough each scored to start the second half and give Bay High a 26-19 advantage with 5:22 left in the third quarter. The Lady Tide answered with a 4-0 run to pull within 26-23 at the 3:50 mark.

Gavagnie ended the third quarter and began the fourth with three consecutive three-pointers to give Bay High a 35-25 lead with 7:33 remaining. The Lady Tigers would then go five minutes without scoring, but Picayune could come no closer than six points.

"I kept trying different things, but what can I do?" Triplett said of the scoring drive. "I think we were playing not to lose instead of playing to win."

The Lady Tigers will play the runner-up from District 8 Monday night.

Diamondhead Golf

The Diamondhead Ladies Golf Association results from their Trophy Day for matches on Feb. 1 on the Pine course.

Sylvia Cordon was named the over the field winner while the first flight saw Cleo Watson take first place and Barbara Watkins finished as runner-up.

In the second flight, Peggy Britson took top honors while Jimmie Sandel placed second.

The third flight had Sam Parkin win first place and Vi Kirk placed second.

On Feb. 8 the Diamondhead Ladies Golf Association held a points format on the Pine course.

The championship flight was Mazie Pereira in first place,

Mary Hays in second place, Mamie Calmez in third and Linda Vining in fourth place.

The first flight saw Carol Gulmino take top honors while Marcie Marshall and Helen Fortner tied for second and Gena Cook finished in fourth place.

The second flight saw Sam Parkin win first place while Darlene Ray ended as the runner-up. Carolyn Koerner and Jan Masimore tied for third place.

The third flight had Becky Jordan winning the competition and Jean Haig placing second. Nueva Sears finished in third and Pat Lulay was fourth.

The championship flight was Mazie Pereira in first place,

Grubs' golf course feeding may end

By Dawn Lyons-Johnson

A tiny worm in the ground may prove to be a golfer's best friend.

That worm, known scientifically as a nematode, is a natural enemy of Japanese beetle larvae that are gnawing the life out of lush golf courses, says a U.S. Department of Agriculture scientist.

Golf courses are especially susceptible to Japanese beetle larvae, also known as white grubs. The meticulously tended turf at America's golf courses provides an ideal environment for the beetle to feed and reproduce, says entomologist Michael Klein of USDA's Agricultural Research Service.

Klein says the grubs feast on the grass root system, killing the turf and leaving tell-tale brown patches that signal hungry raccoons, skunks and birds

to come digging in search of the grubs, doing far more damage than a duffer's divots.

A promising defense against this cycle of destruction is the nematode called *Steinernema glaseri*, reports Klein, who is based at an ARS laboratory in Wooster, Ohio. He says the nematodes scored fairly well against white grubs in field trials, killing up to half of the white grubs in a 10-foot-square area.

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Basketball MVP

Terry Lawyer, No. 11, of St. Stanislaus was named the Most Valuable Player in District 7 basketball.

Kopfler leads Rocks in district

BY RICHARD MEEK

Matt Kopfler, once considered a roll player for St. Stanislaus, has become the Rocks leading man.

Kopfler, who has toiled in the shadow of teammate Terry Lawyer for much of his career at Stanislaus, scored 24 points and grabbed a game high 13 rebounds as the Rocks successfully defended their District 7 Class 4A championship with a 69-66 victory over homestanding Petal Thursday night.

"This one is definitely sweeter," said Kopfler, who also had a 20 point game in the semifinals against Picayune. "Kopfler has raised his game to another level in the second half of the season," Rock coach Jay Ladner said.

Lawyer exploited a decided height advantage over the diminutive Panthers to score 24 points for the Rocks, who will host the District 8 runnerup in a playoff game Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. Kelton Thompson added 14 points, including two free throws in the final nine seconds, for SSC, 27-8.

"I think this one is sweeter because this team has faced a lot of adversity," Ladner said. "This feels great."

SSC played perhaps its best quarter of the year in taking a 21-8 first quarter lead. Lawyer roamed the middle at will, scoring nine points in the quarter despite making only three of nine free throws. The Rocks defense held 16th ranked Petal, 21-4, scoreless for the last three minutes of the quarter.

SSC would build a 33-19 lead with 2:31 left in the second quarter, but the Panthers closed the first half with a 12-1.

"That was probably the best quarter or quarter-in-a-half basketball we played all year," Ladner said. "This was our third game in three nights and I was concerned we might be tired but the kids responded well."

The Rocks again built a seemingly comfortable margin at 45-33 with four minutes left in the third quarter but the pesky Panthers had an answer for every SSC rally.

Petal pulled within 57-54 at the 3:19 mark of the fourth quarter on Gary Reed's three pointer. The Rocks answered with Maurice Singleton's jumper and a layup by Lawyer to take a 61-64 lead with 2:05 remaining.

Petal, in its final run, closed to 66-63 with 28 seconds remaining on West Garna's offensive rebound. But Thompson, who made 12 of 14 free throws, made three or four in the final 24 seconds for the Rocks.

"We had Petal down but couldn't put them away," Ladner said. "They are very quick and may be the most athletic team we've played all year."

"At the end of the game, we finally went to 1-3-1 defense to

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Outpouring of love offered to couple

BY ED LEPOMA

Couples in love always make for a good Valentine's Day story, but the community's support for Carol Owens and Joshua "Jack" Collier would cause even Cupid to take notice and smile.

The couple, both residents of Hotel Reed Nursing Center here, was married Valentine's Day under a shading oak tree outside the center. The touching ceremony climaxed an outpouring of goodwill by friends and merchants in the area who got caught up in the mood of the day.

Collier, 60, has been wheelchair-bound since a car jumped a sidewalk years ago and hit him. Owens, 52, has lost a leg to gangrene, and has had multiple strokes.

Both lived at Hotel Reed, and met a few months ago.

They planned to exchange vows in a simple ceremony on Valentine's Day until three

weeks ago, when Jimmy Loiacano—the city's special projects coordinator—spotted the couple sitting on the beach and holding hands.

Loiacano stopped and asked the couple if he could take their picture, and Collier volunteered, "We're getting married Valentine's Day."

Loiacano asked them if they had a photographer, "And, it just mushroomed from there," he said. Over a dozen businesses and individuals volunteered items and services to make the wedding day special.

Besides Loiacano's still pictures, co-worker Mary Ann Bartetta took videos; the groom's tuxedo and the bride's gown were provided by Bon Temps Roule; her makeup was done by Susan Smith, Mary Kay representative; her hair by Lois Griffin of Magic Touch; Annette Bell, volunteer with RSVP, provided the rings, with sizing done by Seymour's Jewelry.

Mary Ann Benvenuti donated the cake, and Bea Williams of Preferred Stationary, donated the cake top and wedding knife. Hotel Reed donated the food for the reception buffet, which was coordinated by Shirley Barras. And flowers for decorating and the bridal party were provided by Designer's Touch.

Waveland Mayor John Mason and the RSVP choir sang during the ceremony performed by the Rev. Vernon Knight, pastor of the Lutheran Church of the Pines.

Bay St. Louis Mayor Eddie Favre proclaimed Wednesday Jack and Carol Collier Day, and City Clerk Kay Johnson delivered the proclamation. Hancock County Circuit Clerk Pam Metzler hand-delivered the marriage license.

Honeymoon accommodations and a dinner were provided by Casino Magic. Clarence Hall was able to wish the new couple

off in his specially-equipped van following post-wedding fireworks on the beach.

The newlyweds will later need a double bed, which was provided by Hope Haven. A bedspread and linens were donated by the Waveland Resort Inn.

Bay St. Louis police coordinated traffic around the Center during the festivities.

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Hancock High seniors to graduate in white

BY TRACI BONNEY

Hancock High School's Class of '96 is getting their wish; they will graduate in white.

At the school board's regular meeting Feb. 5, Dottie Necaise and two other senior class representatives presented a petition, signed by 125 seniors, requesting that the Class of 1996 be allowed to wear white caps and gowns for commencement ceremonies.

Necaise explained, "We want to graduate in white instead of blue because we're the first class to have come from seventh through 12th grade at the new school. We want to celebrate that by doing something that we'll be remembered for, so we are asking to be permitted to graduate in white."

She said that principal David Kopf and the senior class sponsors had tried to discourage the class from making the change, citing the school tradition of graduating in blue, the difficult

ties the school has had in the past when changing colors, and the possibility that the white gowns will be too sheer and will show the clothes underneath.

Kopf, who was not at the meeting, had sent the board members a letter outlining those reasons. When questioned about the possible problem with the gowns' sheereness, Necaise explained that the girls last year had been required to wear white dresses, and the boys to wear white shirts and black pants.

"If we stick to that dress code, it will solve that problem," she said. "Besides, the gown material is pretty thick. I don't think it will show through."

Necaise told the board that no one had been pressured into signing the petition, that all seniors who signed had been informed as to what they were signing before they agreed to do it.

"Only about 18 or 20 seniors didn't sign," she said. "Some didn't want to break with tradition, and others didn't want to get involved in the issue."

She said they had decided to come to the school board and get on the agenda for the meeting because they felt they had gone as far as they could within the high school's procedures.

Board president Cheryl Bennett commended Necaise and her friends on their initiative and their diligence in going through proper channels to make their request.

"If nothing else, this has been a good exercise in the civic and political process for y'all," she added.

Bennett promised the trio that the board would have a decision at their next meeting.

So, at the recess meeting Feb. 12, Bennett brought the matter up again. The board approved the seniors' request 3-1.

Final

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The Gators tied it on Chapman's easy goal off of a breakaway at the 9:59 mark in the first half.

The Gators again dominated the opening minutes of the second half but Gavagnie, returned in an outstanding effort, blocked five shots in the first eight minutes, including three in a one minute span. "We had a lot of opportunities early in the second half, but didn't connect," Vicksburg coach Kevan Manton said. "We challenged the kids all day. Pressure-wise, Bay High didn't hurt us."

"They scored only one goal (in the second half) and that girl fell down as she was kicking the ball."

The Lady Tigers only score of the half came on their only shot; that being a straight on kick by Pernicario off of a Julie Heitzmann assist.

"I saw Julie break and she just crossed it to me," Pernicario said.

The Gators were held shotless for nearly 14 minutes of the second half until Erin Baylot missed two shots in 30 seconds with 18 minutes remaining. The Gators final goal came with

7:34 left when Baylot's rebound of Chapman's missed shot.

"We're not disappointed," Pernicario said. "I think we played a good game. We beat Clinton (on Friday night) and nobody thought we would do that. We're proud to make it this far." Two minutes into the game the Lady Tigers Amanda Kingston was sidelined with a cut to the lip, although she would return. Lindsey Piazza and Heitzmann also suffered injuries but neither was serious enough to keep them out of the game for a significant amount of time.

Board

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project if the attorney general rules the seawall monies can't be used.

Sue Chamberline and Jeff Loftus, planners with the Gulf Regional Planning Commission, said they need to select a design engineer, and begin a preliminary design on the project. The estimated cost of this phase of the project is around \$72,000, and federal grant funds can't be used for design, they said. The county's share for the preliminary design would be around \$40,000.

The planners said the pedestrian/bikeway path was "a good project" and "it is well worth the county's while to support it."

Loftus later told the Echo that it was his understanding Harrison County used seawall funds to build its pedestrian walkway along parts of its beach, so he felt Hancock County could do the same.

"But, that depends on the ruling from the Attorney General's office," he said.

District 3 Supervisor Lisa Coward spoke in favor of the project, saying a pathway would be an attractive addition to the beach, and increase safety since bikers and pedestrians would be off the busy roadway.

As envisioned, the pedestal

rian pathway would run 2.75 miles along the beachfront, from the Garfield Ladner Pier on Coleman Avenue in Waveland to the Washington Avenue Pier in Bay St. Louis. The pathway would be constructed of concrete, five feet wide. Planners contend the pathway will

also stop beach erosion by preventing sand from washing over the seawall.

The pathway would be linked to an urban bikeway system which would make an almost eight-mile loop through Bay St. Louis, linking with a one-mile bikeway through Waveland.

Senate

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LICENSE NUMBERS

The Senate also passed a bill giving drivers the option of having their driver's license bear their Social Security number or another number provided by the Department of Public Safety.

The Senate killed was a bill to eliminate "stacking" of policies for uninsured motorists insurance coverage. Currently, claims can be made against all uninsured motorists policies purchased by a driver even though the accident only involved one of that person's vehicles. Uninsured motorists coverage provides protection of the injured person, not the vehicle.

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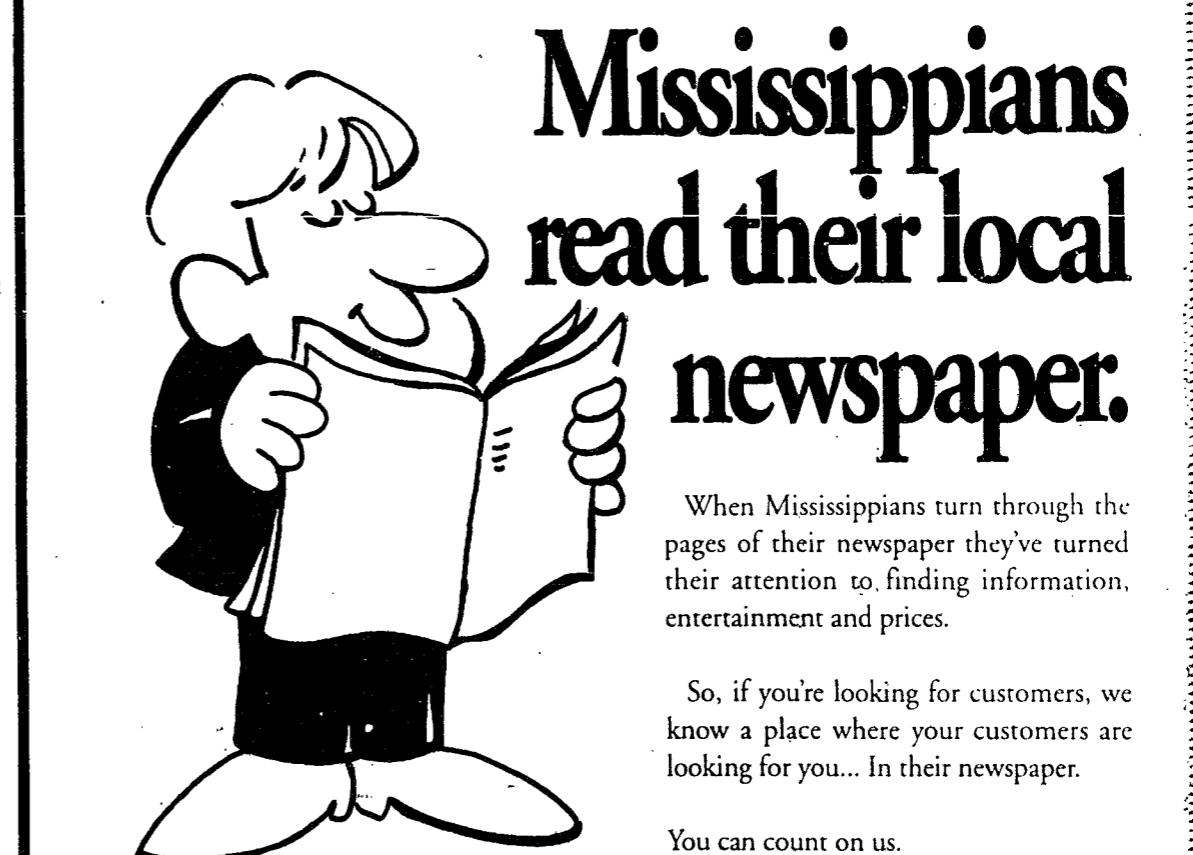
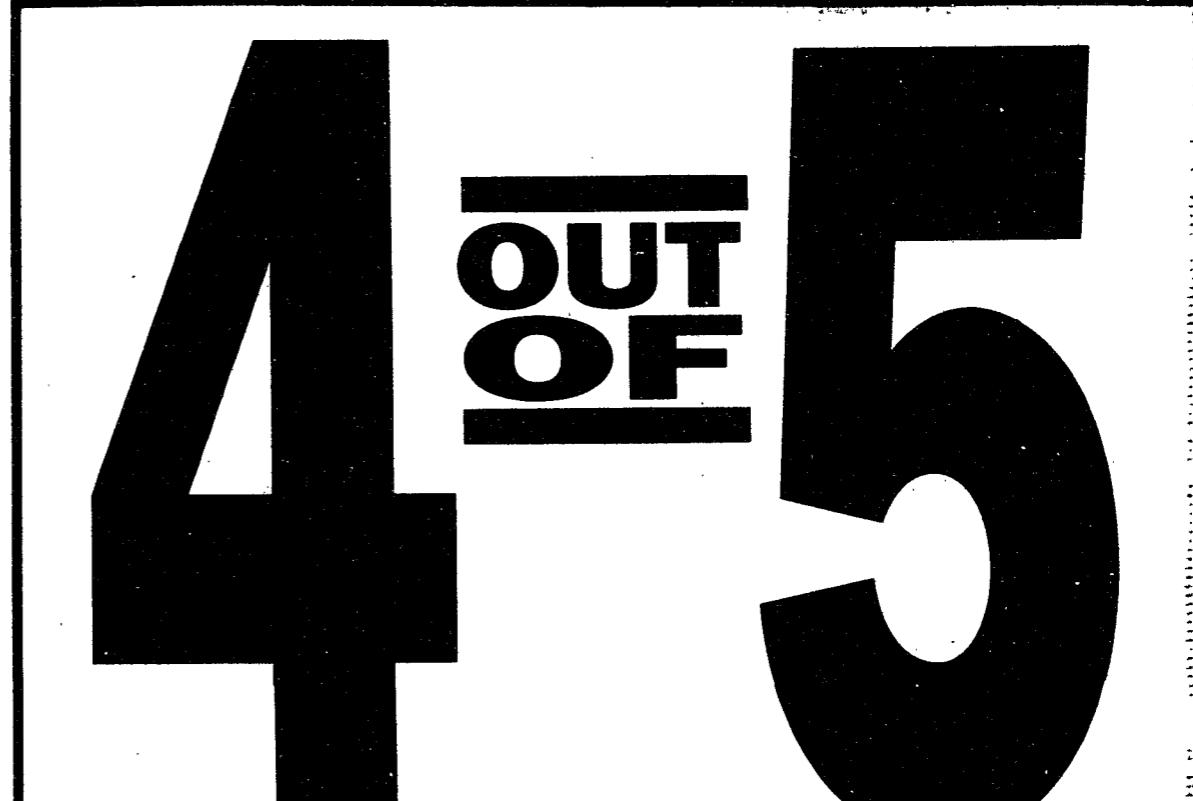
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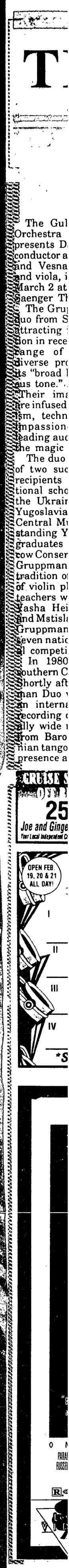


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BUSINESS NEWS

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Evaluating mutual funds

(Editor's note: Following is a reprint of one of our previous columns.)

The first mutual fund was established more than 170 years ago in the Netherlands. The oldest mutual fund in this country started in 1924. Today, more than 4,000 funds are available — that's more than the number of stocks on the New York and American stock exchanges. Mutual funds offer a simple way to invest, but the complex maze of choices can confuse even seasoned investors.

Louis Rukeyser, host of television's popular "Wall Street Week," suggests five important questions to ask before investing in a mutual fund.

1. What are the fund's investment objectives and limitations?

This information is clearly stated in the fund's prospectus. For example, one fund's prospectus says it aims to provide current income, capital growth and conservation of principal. It further explains how the fund's manager invests to accomplish this objective. If this is not your objective, the fund is not for you.

2. What is the fund's historical performance?

"Mississippi Business Today" gains new host

Faithful viewers of the "Mississippi Business Today" show, broadcast Fridays at 7:30 p.m. on Mississippi ETV, likely have noticed some changes on the set in recent weeks.

It's not the logo. It's still the scripted "M" encircled by the show's title.

It's not the production value. Observers say it's one of the sleekest-looking shows to hit the public television airwaves in Mississippi.

What's new about the show is its host.

Michael Newton has taken the reins of the show as its first full-time anchor since the departure of Harold Briscoe this summer. He brings 17 years of experience to the set and is at ease both in front of cameras and behind the scenes writing, producing and editing segments.

"I want the show to be comfortable even to people who aren't in business — to lay people and consumers," Newton said. "Our mission is to coincide with

Farm Credit shows strength

The five-state Tenth Farm Credit District reported improvements in loan volume, asset quality and earnings for the third quarter of 1995, according to financial results released.

The agricultural lending cooperative's loan volume showed a net increase of \$97.2 million at Sept. 30, 1995, up 2.7 percent over year-end 1994. Increased demand for loans was seen in both production lending, up \$65.5 million, and mortgage lending, up \$31.7 million, since Dec. 31, 1994. District loan volume totalled \$3.76 billion at Sept. 30.

During the same period, the district has experienced an overall net decline in high-risk assets of \$14.4 million. The improvement was fueled by an 11.2 percent decline in nonaccrual loan volume and a 31 percent decline in other property owned.

Net income for the third quarter totalled \$20.3 million, a 23.6 percent increase over the \$16.4 million level a year earlier. Net income for the first nine months of 1995 was \$61.8 million, an increase of \$16 million or 34.8 percent from the same period in 1994.



FINANCIAL FOCUS

Submitted by Craig Foster
Edward Jones Co.

The past 10 years have been exceptional for total returns on stocks and bonds. Generally, investors have been well-rewarded. However, short-term performance such as this can be several funds with different investment objectives.

Ask the fund's representative to submit performance figures for the life of the fund. Also, look at performance during good and bad markets.

Outstanding performance in a bull market can change to disaster in a bear market. For example, the top 20 funds of 1968 recorded an average gain of 45.7 percent. The following year, those same funds lost an average of 50.8 percent. Today, 15 of those 20 funds don't even exist — that's a 75 percent casu-

alty rate.

3. How risky is the fund?
Risk comes in different packages. The fund may limit its investing to emerging companies with little investment history or heavily weigh its portfolio with options, commodities or other volatile investments.

Your biggest risk, however, is time. Buying any fund for a quick, in-and-out profit can be costly. Mutual fund investing works best when you leave your money in the fund and let time work for you.

4. What are the fund's ups and downs?

Look at the fund's worst quarter and decide if you would be comfortable with that loss. Another simple test is the "mountain chart," or historical performance chart, in the fund's annual report. Examine the severity of the ups and downs in the chart. Compare charts from

misleading.

5. What are the fund's expenses?

This information is in the beginning of the prospectus under "Summary of Expenses" and "Financial Highlights." At one time, a fund's "load," or sales charge, was easy to identify. Today, expenses, 12b-1 fees, back-end loads and switching fees are often difficult to ferret out.

However, they all come out of your earnings. Look for them in the prospectus, but don't confuse them with loads. Expenses are ongoing; loads are one-time charges.

Of course, there are many other questions that should be answered before you invest. However, these five should get you started and help narrow your selection to funds that meet your specific objectives and risk tolerance.

Military manufacturer supports research center

A Los Angeles-based manufacturer of military aircraft and space systems is continuing its financial support of a Mississippi State University research center.

Northrop Grumman Corp. officials recently presented a \$15,000 check to the National Science Foundation's Mississippi State Engineering Research Center for Computational Field Simulation.

The ERC is one of 21 in the nation. A goal of each center is to transfer university expertise in engineering problems to the nation's industrial sector.

Northrop Grumman is one of approximately 35 industrial affiliates supporting the research efforts of Mississippi state's ERC. Since 1990, the company has contributed some \$90,000 to the center.

Company engineers have been involved in the ERC's work in numerical grid generation, a field the university pioneered. The company served as a test site for the grid generation program and helped define industry standards in the field.

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Lowe's to open new warehouse store Thursday

Lowe's Companies Inc. announced that its new warehouse-size superstore in Gulfport will celebrate its grand opening from Thursday, Feb. 22 through Sunday, Feb. 25.

Harrison County's new destination home center is located at 2151 John Hill Boulevard. Shopping hours at the new Lowe's Home Improvement Warehouse will be 6:30 a.m.-9 p.m. and Sunday 9 a.m.-6 p.m.

Many different special appearances, prize give-aways, demonstrations and how-to clinics are scheduled for this gala grand opening weekend. The public is invited to the festivities which will begin at 10 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 22 with the company's traditional "board cutting" ceremony. (Instead of cutting a ribbon when a new Lowe's store opens, the home center retailer saws a ribbon-wrapped 2x4 in half — a company tradition more than 25 years old.)

Mayor Ken Combs will wield the "honorary saw." The company also looks forward to welcoming John Hill and other distinguished local dignitaries and civic officials who have been

invited to participate in the ceremony.

Lowe's officials in attendance will include store manager Bill Gordon, operations manager Tim Soileau, district manager Bill Edwards and regional vice president, Nick Canter.

Following the board cutting, store manager Bill Gordon will present a check on behalf of the Lowe's of Gulfport employees for \$1,000 to the Lynn Meadows Discovery Center for Children.

Carole Lynn Meadows from this children's museum project will be present at the ceremony to accept Lowe's "One Grand for the Grand Opening" donation.

Customers at the new Lowe's of Gulfport who are 18 and older will be eligible to sign up for a \$1,000 shopping spree to be given away during the grand opening. The winner will be drawn from all eligible entries on Sunday afternoon at 5:45.

Children and adults alike will enjoy a wide variety of festivities and events scheduled throughout the weekend. Customers are invited to check at the store and see local newspapers for descriptions, dates, and times of the many special

events and prize give-aways.

Gulfport's new Home Improvement Warehouse is the largest Lowe's in the state, measuring 150,000+ square feet in total. This huge retail superstore includes a 115,000 square foot sales floor and an accompanying lawn and garden center measuring 30,000+ square feet. There are huge assortments of home improvements products — over 40,000 different items — at Lowe's low everyday competitive prices.

A wide range of special services will also be offered at the new Lowe's. Customers will find free custom computer design in the kitchen and bath department; computerized color matching in paint; and custom glass, screen, wire, rope, key, chain and board cutting will also be available at the new store.

Lowe's popular free How-To Clinics will also be offered on an ongoing basis, with dates, times and topics posted prominently at the store.

Celebrating its golden anniversary this year, 50-year-old Lowe's Companies Inc. is one of the country's foremost home center retailers with over 365 stores in 23 states. Continuing aggressive expansion plans are in place as the company charges toward its multi-store goal of 600 Lowe's by the year 2000.

Lowe's was independently selected as one of The 100 Best Companies to Work For in America (Doubleday Publishing 1993), the only company in the home improvement industry to be so noted.

Lowe's employees own approximately 20 percent of the company's stock through their participation in Lowe's ESOP (Employee Stock Ownership Plan). The company employs over 45,000 people and has approximately 159 million outstanding shares of common stock listed in the New York, Pacific and London Stock Exchanges under the ticker symbol LOW.

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DUPONT/DD	78 1/2	+1/2
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WAL MART STORES/WMT	21 1/2	-1/16

Submitted by Craig Foster, Edward D. Jones Co.

Walters to speak to Diamondhead group

Hal Walters, director of the Hancock County Port & Harbor Commission, will be guest speaker at the general meeting of the Diamondhead Business & Professional Association (DBPA), 8 a.m., Thursday, Feb. 22 at Park Ten Lanes in Diamondhead.

Walters received his BS degree in industrial technology from Mississippi State University and his MBA degree from Mississippi College.

Having worked in economic development since 1972, Wal-

ters was named director of the Hancock County Port & Harbor Commission in February, 1994, and is responsible for economic development efforts in Hancock County.

Applications for new membership into the Diamondhead Business & Professional Association are being accepted. Call Lou Lamendola, membership chairperson, at 255-2606 for details. All retirees and new businesses are encouraged to join.



Research center donation

Presenting a \$15,000 check to the ERC are Northrop Grumman Corp. officials Robert Melnik (left) research and development officer, and Steve Carrier (center), vice president for business development. Receiving the gift are Vice President for Research Ralph Power (second from left), ERC director Donald Trotter (second from right) and engineering's Interim Dean Glenn Steele.

Credit union meeting

Dennis Dollar, president and CEO of the Gulfport VA Federal Credit Union, announced the federally-chartered credit union's annual membership meeting will be Tuesday, March 19 at 5:30 p.m. in the Gulfport

High School Auditorium.

Drawings for over \$2,000 in cash door prizes and mementos for each member in attendance will also be available.

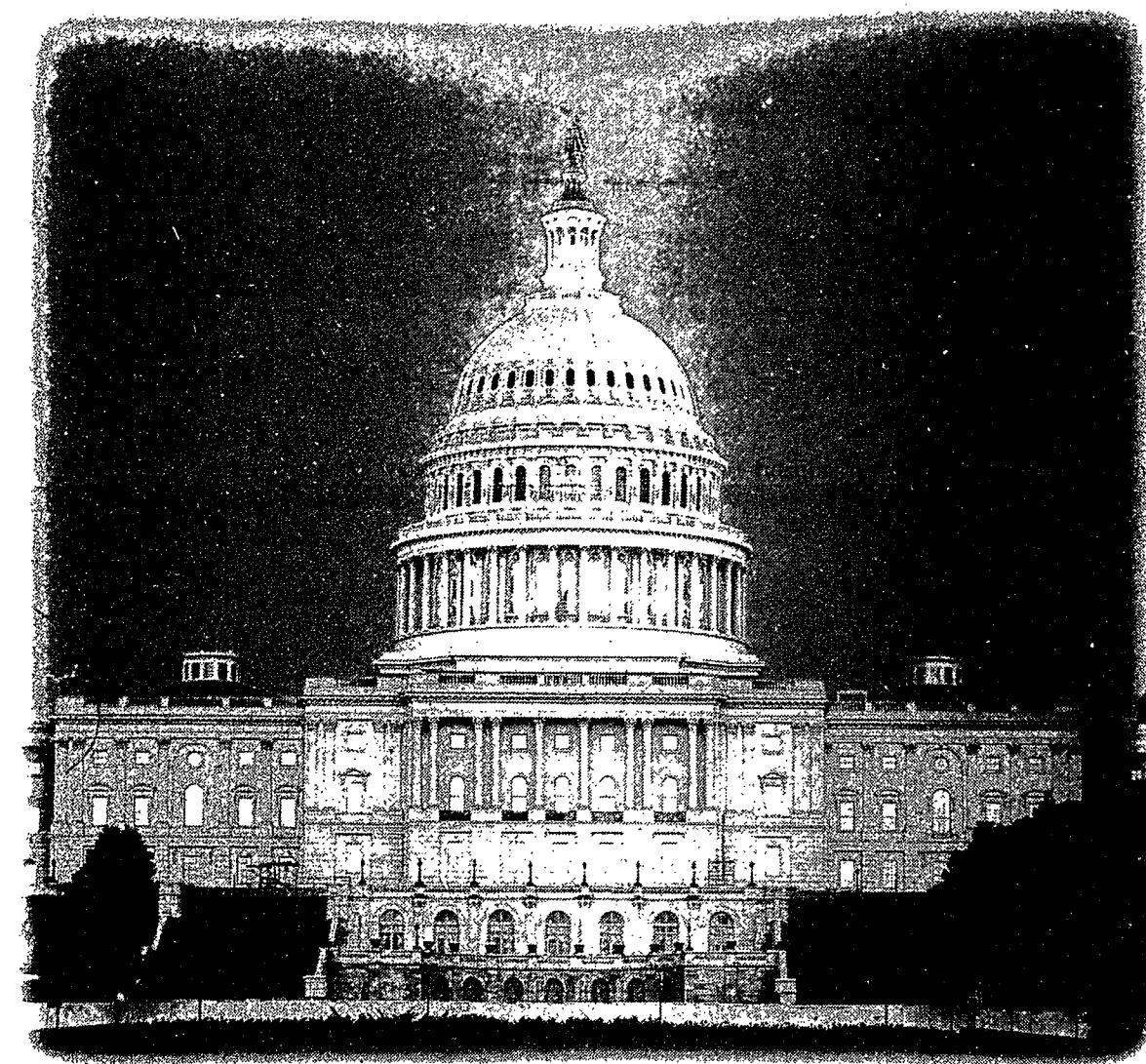
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including staffing and working on enhancing revenues, while positioning ourselves for future growth."

Ernst, meanwhile, says he hates to lay off workers, but he has to. The company hasn't been profitable, but it will be, he says. That'll make the remaining employees feel secure and happier. That'll spill over into increased enthusiasm in dealing with customers, which will spill over into increased business, which will spill over into good news for stockholders, says Ernst.

Overall, Casino Magic's efforts have been too scattered and extensive to sustain profitability, said Ernst of the corporation.

"It wasn't focused. It is now." Analysts, he said, will recognize that Casino Magic is "turning the corner..."

Throughout the interview the same words kept punctuating Ernst's message: "focus," "theme," and "concentrate."

But if those words sound general, he's got specifics.

Casino Magic, he said, "instead of developing things halfway around the world, needs to be focused here."

Along that line, the corporation plans to announce a major hotel construction project for its Biloxi casino within a few days.

Says Ernst: "It'll be built in time to compete with the nearby Golden Nugget's facilities. It'll equal or better the Grand Casino's hotel accommodations. It'll help thrust Casino Magic's standing in the Biloxi casino center, as it develops between the Isle of Capri and Grand Casino facilities.

In Bay St. Louis, the casino corporation plans to complete construction of its 18-hole golf course, dubbed "The Bridges" for its hundreds of linear feet of pathways over wetlands. That facility, says Ernst, will greatly enhance the Bay casino's role as a "destination" resort. A hotel will come next, he said.

Ernst, two months on the job at Magic, is a 44-year-old from Minnesota, home state of Marvin F. Torgerson, Magic's chairman. The two grew up about three miles apart, and both attended the University of Minnesota. Their dads, both resort owners, knew each other for 30 years. But Ernst and Torgerson didn't meet until they were adults, climbing their way up in the gaming industry.

Torgerson lured Ernst to Magic from the Isle of Capri in Biloxi, where Ernst served as president and CEO of Casino America, Inc.

Ernst's entry came with the departure of Dual B. Cooper, who Magic officials say resigned to pursue other opportunities. Cooper, says Ernst, "did a fine job, a great job, in bringing performance around. I can't say anything bad about him. Dual did a terrific job..." in helping the corporation to profitability.

Indeed, Cooper's inaugural act was to fire some 150 on the corporate payroll, thinning the ranks as Magic began to slow down in national and international development.

The company closed out its third fiscal quarter with revenues up some four percent over the same period in 1994 — net income for the quarter was \$3.4 million, compared to a third quarter loss of almost \$215,000 in 1994.

As it stands, said Ernst, the corporation has the cash flow and reserves to build the hotel in Biloxi, home to a still-developing concentration of gaming. Over \$500 million worth of investment will be in

place there, considering the combined facilities of Magic, the Isle and Grand, and Lady Luck. The Isle has a \$45 million, 15-story hotel in place.

Saying that Isle hotel facility was his last accomplishment as a Casino America executive, Ernst added that a Magic hotel there is a must, to remain competitive.

Bay St. Louis, meanwhile, is a much more self-contained gaming community. "We're here by ourselves. We need to build enough facilities to make it a true destination resort."

Meanwhile, watch for the pair of Magic casinos, to launch a concentrated effort developing that "magic" theme. That theme has tremendous potential, says Ernst, but has never been developed. Consider "magic" relevance to gambling, compared to a Caribbean theme, he said, laughing that as an Isle of Capri executive, he worried needlessly that Magic would capitalize on its own name.

Magic officials blamed much of its financial troubles of 1994 on the tremendous cost of pursuing potential gaming possibilities across the country and across the globe. Those efforts posed a tremendous financial drain on the corporation, and Ernst says those extensive exploratory days are a thing of the past.

Still, some of the past expansion effort is starting to pay off, Ernst says, with cash flow from casinos in Argentina and Greece. That profit needs to flow into Mississippi development primarily at this point, he added.

And while Casino Magic is building its long-promised hotels and golf course, it's also going to build its reputation as a community member in Biloxi and Bay St. Louis — new efforts to involve Magic employees in community affairs will be extensive, Ernst said.

All the changes, said Ernst,

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are designed to ensure that Casino Magic will be a survivor in the Mississippi gaming industry. He predicts that of the 12 existing casinos now on the Coast, about half will be here in 10 years. "One thing for sure: there will be two Magics."

Magic also is pursuing casino openings in Louisiana and Indiana. Its other existing casinos are located in Deadwood, S.D.; Neuenburg City, and San Martin de los Andes, Argentina; and Porto Carras and Xanthia, Greece.

"My goal is to take Magic to a

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Landfill

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Bay St. Louis Mayor Eddie Favre, and Mason sat in at the beginning of the meeting, although his newly appointed representative on the board, Thomas Kidd, was also present.

District 3 Supervisor Lisa Coward, who represents supervisors on the three-member Solid Waste District, had requested the meeting, and she opened the session explaining it was her feeling that supervisors "were not anxious to create an authority" or give the District permission to open a landfill at Standard. (The county has spent more than \$100,000 on soil testing and engineering designs, and has a preliminary permit to open it).

"Then, we're back to square one," Fillingame said. He explained that previous supervisors, in agreement with the cities of Bay St. Louis and Waveland, formed the Solid Waste District in 1991 following federal and state mandates that directed counties to come up with a 20-year plan for disposing of their household garbage (solid waste).

Since the late 1970's, the county has been operating a 41-acre rubbish site at Standard, Fillingame explained, and the District agreed (in 1994) to locate a county landfill at Standard, providing they could buy an additional 90 acres from the Hancock County School board.

Last June, the District signed a 20-year contract with Trans-American Waste Industries of Mobile, Ala., to operate and manage the rubbish site and landfill at Standard, and

Bay High Powder Puff

Some 60 girls from Bay High participated in the annual Powder Puff football games Wednesday, Jan. 31.

In Powder Puff games, the girls play a total of three 20-minute football games, and the guys are the cheerleaders. Each grade, freshmen through seniors, made its team of approximately 15 girls.

The sophomores successfully defeated the freshmen 6-0 in the first game of the evening. The second game was played by the seniors and juniors. The juniors won 6-6, after being in overtime and gaining more yardage. The final game ended as sophomores, 14, juniors, 0.

The members of the sophomore team were April Gibson, Mandie French, Belle Penrose, Stephanie Sellier, Kelley Yanok, Maria Koskan, Jessica Boston, Christina Bradley, Rachel Spear, Alicia Gavagnie, Alicia Geisel, Sheri Fayard, Jennifer Fahey, and Renee Jenson.

Wea Griffith, Ben Taylor and Cleveland "Tank" Williams were the winning team's coaches.

The sophomore cheerleaders, the only squad of the evening, consisted of Jonathan Butsch, Nick Caldwell, Wendell Humphries, Seth Johnson, DeShawn Peebles and Elvis Tz.

Trans-American took over operations of the rubbish site last September.

"Everything we've done so far has been with concurrence of the supervisors and the two cities," said Fillingame. "And, everything that has transpired so far has been aimed at opening Standard as the county's landfill."

Moran reminded Fillingame that shortly after the new supervisors took office they met with NASA officials at the Stennis Space Center, and received assurances that they would not object and would help the county find land for a rubbish site and landfill in the buffer zones, most of which is privately owned.

Fillingame said the District would work with supervisors to find a site in the buffer zone too, but a one-cell landfill could still be opened on 10-acres at Standard in the interim.

David Compton, whose engineering firm has carried out the soil testing and design specifications for the Standard landfill, said from the time a site is found in the buffer zone, it would take two and a half to three years before it could be permitted and opened. He said after buying the land, the county would also pay thousands more during the testing and permitting process.

Moran said he didn't understand the rush to open Standard, saying he thought the board "was being held hostage" by the District's determination to go forward.

"Because, it is now economically feasible to open Standard," said Fillingame. Under the contract signed between the District and Trans-American, Fillingame said the landfill could be up and running within six months, and Trans-American has pledged \$7.5 million to build it.

"And, as soon as it opens, we'll cut our dumping charge in half" (from the current \$20,000 a month the county pays for dumping solid waste at Pecan Grove in western Harrison County to \$10,000 a month), Fillingame said. He said Trans-American would also pay the county monthly revenue based on the total waste taken in at Standard.

Fillingame told Moran if Standard were not opened, (or at least a part of it) he was committing the county and the cities to continue paying \$20,000 a month or more at Pecan Grove "for two to three years more."

"I can't sell the city (of Bay St. Louis) on that," said Fillingame. "I'd have a hard time convincing Waveland too," said Kidd.

Sitting quietly in the boardroom, and listening to the debate was Jeff Claunch, director of Transportation for Trans-American.

Claunch told supervisors Trans-American has been losing "about \$15,000 a month" since it took over operations of the rubbish site at Standard, with the idea that it would begin earning revenue when the landfill opened.

He said he did not know how much longer his firm could con-

tinue to absorb the loss.

"We haven't drawn a line in the sand," said Claunch. But, he said, even if Trans-American were given the contract to operate a landfill in the buffer zone, "the critical window of opportunity might be closed by the time it opens."

During the 2 to 3-year lapse, Claunch explained, other competing firms might have already gobbled up the waste Trans-American was trying to attract.

Claunch said, he couldn't commit to the suggestion, but he thought Trans-American might go for Fillingame's proposal to construct and open up one cell at Standard for a landfill, and operate it until another one is permitted and opened in the buffer zone. Trans-American would also provide monitoring after it was closed, Claunch said.

Fillingame continued to take exception to supervisors concerns the landfill at Standard would impact a residential area.

"The site is already impacted by the rubbish site that's been there for years," Fillingame said. "It is not a residential area. The biggest asset we have there is our permit to open a landfill."

The District's intentions to go forward with Standard will be a test of the inter-local agreement signed between supervisors and the two cities.

The two cities on the District could approve a resolution to go forward, and send it on to supervisors. If supervisors fail to concur, it might take an attorney general's opinion to settle for once and for all who is in charge of implementing Hancock County's solid waste disposal plans into the next century.

Applications are now being taken for the Hancock County Sheriff's Department.

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Entrance exam for the Sheriff's Department will be given March 26, 1996 at 6:00 p.m. for the test of Correctional Officer, Telecommunications Officer and Road Officer. The testing will take place at the Hancock County Civic Center on Longfellow.

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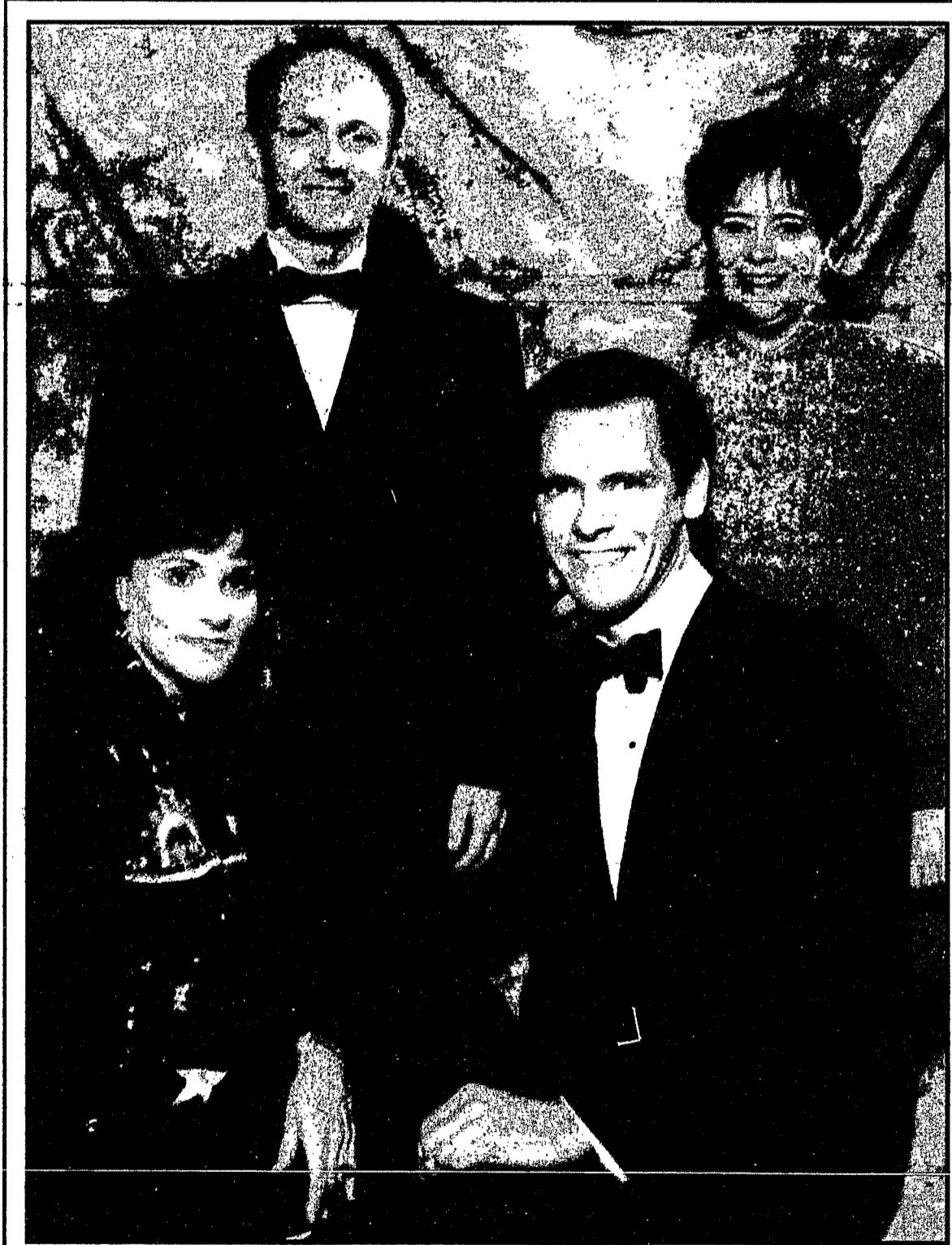
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Pictured left to right: Nancy Ross (Assaf), Kris Shaw, Flo Presti, and Thomas Uskali.

Diamondhead Performing Arts Society presents first show of the season

The first show of the Diamondhead Performing Arts Society season will be presented by the Theatre Wing of the Jefferson Performing Arts Society on Sunday, Feb. 25.

Side by Side by Sondheim is musical entertainment at its finest with music and lyrics by Stephen Sondheim and music by Leonard Bernstein, Mary Rodgers, Richard Rodgers and Jule Styne.

The show was produced on Broadway by Harold Prince in association with Ruth Mitchell as the celebration of the work of Sondheim from a British point of view.

Under the directorship of Joseph Bascetta, accompanied by Kevin Caparotta, the highly acclaimed soprano voices of Flo

Presti and Nancy Ross (Assaf) coupled with baritones Kris Shaw and Thomas Uskali assure this of being a memorable musical experience.

Many enthusiasts of the Broadway musical consider Sondheim the best living songwriter - complex and witty. He has composed 400 songs for stage, movies - songs for Madonna in "Dick Tracy" and for television.

The performance will be at Rogers Hall of the Diamondhead Academy. Curtain is at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$15 for adults and \$3.50 for students. They may be purchased at L.L. Ltd. Fashions or at the door on the evening of the performance.



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CLUBS, AUXILIARIES

Daughters of the American Revolution

The Mississippi State Society Daughters of the American Revolution will hold its 90th state conference in Jackson at the Ramada Coliseum Inn Feb. 22-24.

Mrs. Erwin C. Ward, state regent, has announced this year's honored guest and opening night speaker will be the president general, NSDAR, Mrs. Charles Keil Kemper from California.

Other out-of-state guests will be Mrs. James R. Quarles, state regent of Tennessee, and Mrs. Maurice D. Kellogg, state regent of Arkansas. Representatives from three DAR schools will be at the conference.

Mrs. Michael Guthrie, conference chairman, and Mrs. Frances Hilburn, conference co-chairman with the chapters of the Heartland District are planning the program, which includes a MSSDAR centennial breakfast, a public relations breakfast, a national defense/awards luncheon and the chapter regents' evening and conference banquet.

Activities begin Thursday afternoon, Feb. 22 with the dedication of a new flagstaff on the grounds of the Mississippi Governor's Mansion. Since 1996 is the centennial year for the Mississippi DAR, the flagstaff is the MSSDAR gift to the state of Mississippi.

As a centennial project, the five Jackson chapters, Magnolia State, James Foster, Ralph Humphreys, Fort Rosalie and Rebecca Cravat, will give the flag of the United States and the flag of Mississippi to be flown atop the flagstaff.

Immediately following the dedication ceremony, the State Chairmen Association and the Mississippi Juniors' Club will host a tea at the Governor's Mansion.

The conference concludes Saturday, Feb. 24 at the morning business session and a luncheon.

The Mississippi DAR has about 5,000 members in 82 chapters located throughout the state.

Hancock Women's Club

The Hancock Women's Club held its monthly business and luncheon meeting Feb. 8 at Shoney's in Waveland. President Marge Thomson presided with 38 members and guests present.

Nominations and election of officers were held for the 1996-97 year. They include Kay Johnson, president; Billie Jean Niver, vice-president; Mary Gilmore, secretary, and Amelia Killeen, treasurer. Installation will be at the March meeting.

Lois Cripple, first vice-president, introduced guest speaker Peter Clegg, president of the board of the Mississippi Firefighters Burn Center Association Inc. In honor or National Firefighters Week, the club presented Clegg with a donation.

Fun Day will be at the RSPV Center in Old City Hall Feb. 28, at 11 a.m. with a pot luck luncheon provided by the executive board. Game of the day will be Po-Ke-No.

Joyce Hastling presented birthday corsages to Clytie Mayfield, Shirley Tingstrom and Alice Seckso. The door prize was won by Joyce Hastling. The meeting was closed with prayer.

Take Off Pounds Sensibly

WAVELAND

TOPS MS 233 Waveland met Tuesday, Feb. 13 at the Waveland Public Library. Rhonda was the week's best loser with 10½ pounds. Tammy was the week's best youth loser with 1½ pounds. Missy was the week's KOPS loser.

Rhonda received a charm for losing 10 pounds. Tammy presented a program. The next meeting will be held Wednesday, Feb. 21 due to Mardi Gras.

TOPS MS 233 meets every Tuesday evening at the Waveland Public Library. Weigh-ins are from 5:50-6:45 p.m. with the meeting immediately following weigh-in.

Anyone interested in losing weight the sensible way and maintaining that weight loss is welcome to visit the TOPS chapter. Interested persons are invited to call Ruth at 466-9880 for



In Jackson

Nel Frisbie, left, and Margaret Hadden held a conversation at the Legislative Reception held Monday night in Jackson. The reception was a cooperative effort between economic development entities, chambers of commerce and private businesses across the three coastal counties. There was a large number of persons from Hancock County in attendance. (Echo staff photo by Ellis C. Cuevas)

Summer field program

Registration is now under way for the 1996 summer field study program at the Gulf Coast Research Laboratory.

The summer program is open to all qualified college students with junior standing who wish to broaden initial education gained in basic science courses.

Classes scheduled this summer include marine biology, marine invertebrate zoology, marine ecology, marine phycolgy, coastal ecology for teachers, marine ichthyology, marine

mammals and applications of biotechnology in marine biology.

GCRL is administered by the University of Southern Mississippi. Credit earned during the 10-week, two-term summer program can be transferred from USM to a home institution upon course completion.

For information on registration procedures, fees and other related information, call (601) 875-2244.

information.

Gather Ye Rosebuds

"Gather Ye Rosebuds" invites everyone who is interested in growing beautiful roses to attend its first annual rose workshop Saturday, Feb. 24, 9 a.m.-noon at Main St. Methodist Church Hall in Bay St. Louis.

Anthony Jarman, a past president of the New Orleans Rose Society and a member of the American Rose Society, will be conducting the workshop.

Admission is free, but individuals should bring a notebook to take notes during this most comprehensive class on growing roses.

For information, call Mrs. M. Richard at 467-3008.

DAR 20th Star Chapter

Delegates and alternates from 20th Star Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, are representing their chapter at the 19th State Conference of the Mississippi State Society Daughters of the American Revolution in Jackson Feb. 22-24.

Delegates from the 20th Star Chapter DAR are Shirley H. Davenport, Laurie Cawson, Dixie Brock, Virginia Nunnally and Elizabeth H. Graham.

Alternates are Eleanor Burge, Patricia Turner, Harriet Phalen, Frances H. Wilson and Mildred Goyer.

Chapter Daughters who hold chairmanships are Laurie Cawson, DAR School vice chairman; and Shirley H. Davenport, Elizabeth H. Graham and Frances H. Wilson, DAR Service for Veterans and Patients.

Harrison County Republican Women

The Harrison County Republican Women will meet Monday, Feb. 26 at noon at the Holiday Inn on the Beach, Gulfport.

Guest speaker will be Harrison County Chancery Clerk John McAdams. Lunch is Dutch treat, and anyone interested is invited to attend.

Take Off Pounds Sensibly

BAY ST. LOUIS

TOPS MS 286 Bay St. Louis met Thursday, Feb. 8, at Hancock Medical Center in Bay St. Louis.

Best loser of the week was Verma. The club had nine members stand for pledge, including new members, Diane and Mary, who were welcomed to the group.

Marty presented a program, Walking For Fitness, to help get all members ready for warmer walking weather.

February meetings include: Feb. 15, Auction Night; Feb. 22, a program on Enthusiasm and Self-Esteem; and Feb. 29 is Fun Night. Everyone is invited to attend.

The group meets every Thursday with weigh-ins beginning at 6 p.m., followed by the meeting at 6:45. Anyone interested in joining or to visit the group may call Leila at 452-7318 or Mary at 467-7217.

American Legion Auxiliary Unit 139

The monthly meeting of the Clement R. Bontemps American Legion Auxiliary Unit 139 was Thursday, Feb. 8 at the clubhouse on Green Meadow Road.

President Janelle Necaice opened the meeting; color-bearers Hazel Wohlschlegel and Charlotte Sellers advanced the colors; chaplain Carolyn Bermond read the opening prayers and Necaice led the Pledge of Allegiance followed by the Preamble.

Secretary Jeannette Ladner took the roll of officers. Phyllis Moran, past Mississippi State Auxiliary president, introduced Audrey "Boots" Box, Mississippi American Legion State Department commander; Fred Ingelis, past national vice-commander, past Mississippi State commander; and Clayton Thompson, past Mississippi State commander and commander of Post 139.

The minutes of the previous month's meeting were approved. Treasurer Janet Aime gave a report on the financial status of the unit. Membership chairman Mattie North said the unit was well over 100 percent and thanked all for attaining this goal.

A request was made by Elaine Cowie for help in the Junior Auxiliary to save soup labels of Campbell's various soup products and aluminum cans in raising money for projects.

The president called for the closing prayers and the color-bearer retired the colors.

AARP

The monthly meeting of the Hancock County AARP Chapter 1114 will be Monday, Feb. 19 at 10 a.m. at the American Legion Post 77, Coleman Avenue, Waveland.

Lovelace wins geography bee

Amanda Lovelace, a sixth grade student at Hancock North Central Elementary, won the school-level competition of the National Geography Bee Jan. 8 and a chance at a \$25,000 college scholarship.

The school-level bee, at which students answered oral questions on geography, was the first round in the eight annual National Geography Bee, which is sponsored by National Geographic World and Chrysler Corporation.

The kickoff for this year's bee was the week of Dec. 4 with thousands of schools around the United States, the District of Columbia and five U.S. territories participating.

The school winners will now take a written test, and up to 100 of the top scorers in each state and territory will be eligible to compete in their state bee March 29.

The National Geographic Society will provide an all-expenses-paid trip to Washington, D.C., for state champions and their teacher-escorts to participate in the National Geography Bee national championship May 28-29.

The first-place national winner will receive a \$25,000 college scholarship, the second-place winner a \$15,000 college scholarship, and the third-place winner at \$10,000 scholarship.

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Thursday — Beef Parmesan,
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LUNCH

Monday — Mardi Gras
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Wednesday — Spaghetti and
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Applesauce, Hot Roll.
Thursday — Beef Parmesan or
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Baked Potato, Buttered Peas,
Pineapple Delight, Hot Roll.
Friday — Cheese Pizza or Soup

WEDDINGS, ENGAGEMENTS

Serpas-Day

Mr. and Mrs. George W. Day of Waveland
announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage
of their daughter, Lora Lynne Day, to
Armand Henry Serpas Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs.
Armand H. Serpas Sr. of Bay St. Louis.

Miss Day is a 1986 graduate of Bay High
School and attended Pearl River Community
College. She is employed at Hancock Medical
Center.

Mr. Serpas is a 1985 St. Stanislaus graduate
and is employed by BE&K, Dupont, DeLisle.

The wedding will take place March 9 at 6 p.m.
at Dupont Employee Recreational Clubhouse.



Lora Day and Armand Serpas

BIRTHS

DESTANY NICOLE THIBAULT

Christi Guidry and Eric Thibault of Bay St. Louis announce the birth of their second child, Destany Nicole, February 12, 1996 at 9:15 a.m. at Hancock Medical Center in Bay St. Louis.

She weighed 7 pounds, 3 ounces.

Maternal grandparents are Harold and Linda Guidry Jr. of Waveland.

Maternal great-grandparents are Harold and Linda Guidry Sr. and Josephine Simon.

Paternal grandparents are Henry and Patricia Spurlock.

BRIANNA ELIZABETH PATE

Mr. and Mrs. Michael D. Pate of Bay St. Louis announce the

birth of their third child, Brianna Elizabeth, January 24, 1996 at 8:01 a.m. at Hancock Medical Center in Bay St. Louis.

She weighed 10 pounds, 2 ounces.

Mrs. Pate is the former Michelle Lee Marshall.

Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. William O. Lee of Bay St. Louis.

Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Schwartz.

JACOB KYLE LUMPKIN

Jennifer Lumpkin of Picayune announces the birth of a son, Jacob Kyle, January 28, 1996 at 10:24 p.m. at Hancock Medical Center in Bay St. Louis.

He weighed 7 pounds, 14 ounces.

Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Dalton Lumpkin and the late Brenda Lumpkin.

Great-grandparents are Odessa Burge and Rufus Lumpkin.

BRANDON LEE BILLIOT

Cherry Lee Billiot of Bay St. Louis announces the birth of a son, Brandon Lee, January 29, 1996 at 4:15 a.m. at Hancock Medical Center in Bay St. Louis.

He weighed 6 pounds, 13 ounces.

Grandparents are Tammy and Gary Caye of Bay St. Louis.

SAMANTHA LYNN BRIGGS

Mr. and Mrs. Martin Briggs of Gulfport announce the birth of their second child, Samantha Lynn, January 28, 1996 at 3:35 a.m. at Hancock Medical Center in Bay St. Louis.

She weighed 8 pounds.

Mrs. Briggs is the former Cathy Rosser.

Maternal grandparents are Laura and Earl Rosser of Nashville, Tenn.

Paternal grandmother is Betty Briggs of Port St. Joe, Fla.

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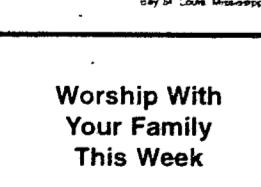
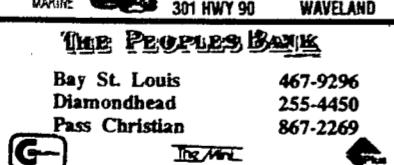
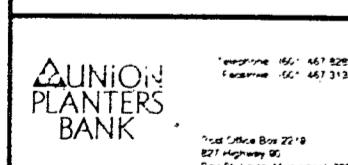
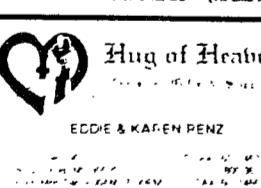
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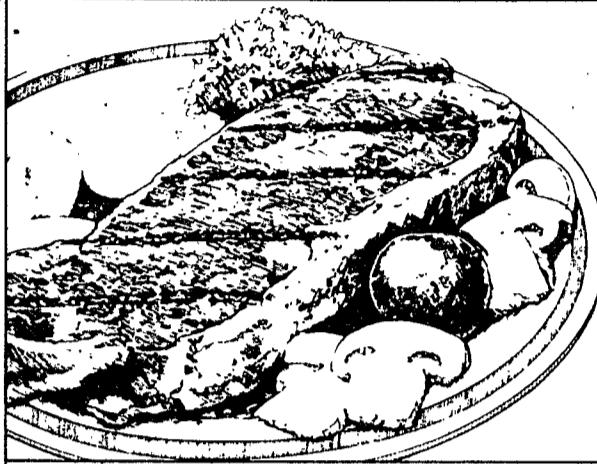
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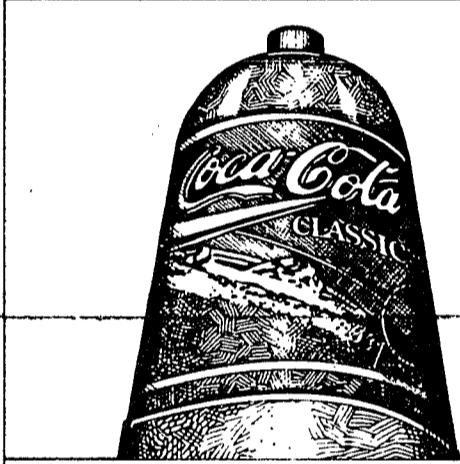
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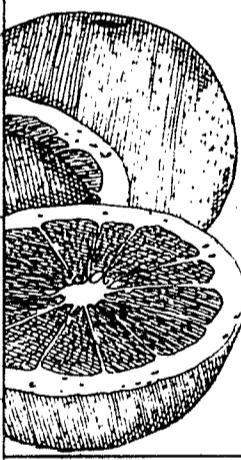


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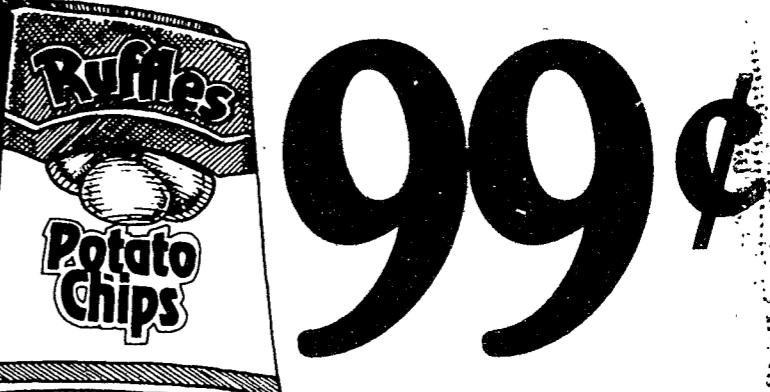
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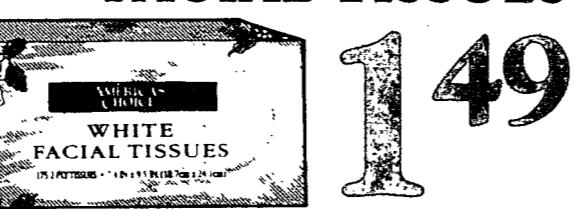
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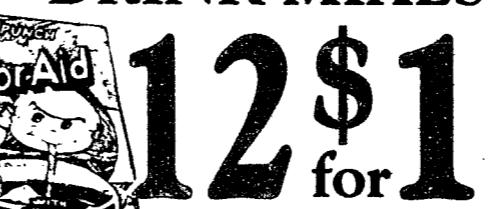
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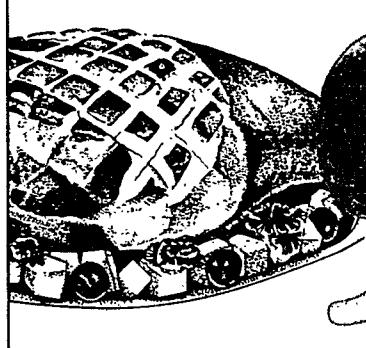
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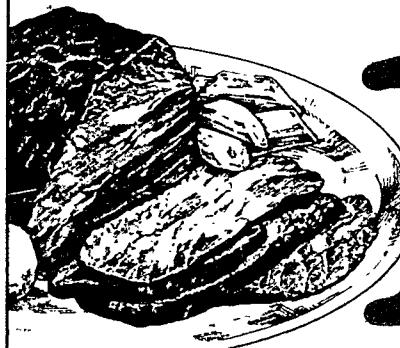
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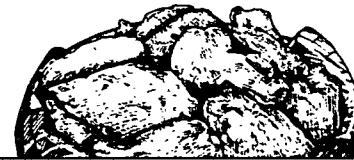
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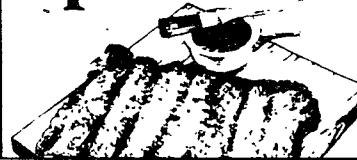
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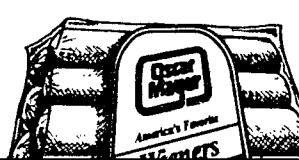
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PERCY'S MARINE SERVICE, 903 Shipp St., Waveland, Ms. 467-8058.

PHONE REPAIR: JACKS INSTALLED. Retired AT&T. 255-4245, leave message.

RUTH'S CUSTOM SEWING: NOT fast or cheap, just good reliable work. By appointment in Slidell. 504-641-7501.

56 Services Offered

SANDBLASTING & PAINTING -Velocity Marine, Lakeshore Road. Large and small items. 467-2078.

SAUCIER'S DUMP TRUCK AND TRACTOR SERVICE: fill dirt, top soil, sand, gravel. ALSO STUMPGRINDING & bush-hogging. Free estimates. 467-4720.

SEMI-RETIRING BUILDING and remodeling carpenter. If it's made of wood, I'll build it, remodel it, repair it or replace it. 467-8401.

A-1 TRACT HOE, DOZER TRUCKS, FILL dirt, top soil. We haul or u-haul. 255-7556 or 255-3672.

WASH GRAVEL, \$13.50 per yard. PEA GRAVEL, \$10.50 per yard. TOP SOIL, \$120 per load. Also, SAND/FIELD DIRT. 255-1106.

WATER WELL DRILLING: Pumps, tanks. Free estimates. 255-5811. State licensed.

58 Lawn & Garden

A CALL TO CHARLIE'S LAWN & YARD SERVICE: for free estimates. Grass cutting, weed eating, trash hauling, etc. Call anytime. (601) 467-1577 or (601) 467-4266.

FOR GRASS CUTTING, trimming, cleanup, painting, and hauling trash away call 467-5626. Very reasonable prices.

RELIABLE LAWN SERVICE: YARDS cut, trimmed, garden tilled. References and free estimates. Call 467-7238.

SOUTHLAND SERVICES: complete grounds maintenance, INSURED. 467-3471.

OPEN SOON

EXXON FOOD MART/ SUBWAY SHOP

Hwy. 603 at I-10

All shifts available, full and part-time. \$5.25 and up. Apply in person, Mon.-Fri. 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

63 Business Opportunities

FAMILY BUSINESS IN THIS AREA HANDLING Frito Lay/Nabisco products. Monthly, profit \$1100-\$1500. Potential \$4000.00 per month. State of the art electronic equipment. You need \$1950.00 cash and 6 to 8 hours per week. Call 1-800-775-9494 for information.

66 Child Care

BABY SITTING IN MY HOME DAY or night. Seven days a week. Jeanne Garcia, 467-8322.

CHILD CARE IN MY HOME: hot meals and snacks. References. Also after school care for Hancock Elem. 255-9022.

PRE-SCHOOL advanced 3 & 4 year olds. 8-12, Monday, Wednesday, Friday. Transportation to babysitter at noon is provided. Call 467-5626.

73 Help Wanted

AVERAGE \$300 WEEKLY. Domino's Pizza drivers wanted. Must be 18 years old. Apply in person, Hwy 90, BSL.

CERTIFIED BRAKE AND FRONT END mechanic. Apply in person Tire Town, 342 Hwy. 90, Waveland, Monday-Saturday.

CHANGING CAREERS?

Your sales or business exp. may qualify you for a rewarding career in real estate. We offer free training after licensing. Call Lanell Morold at 1-800-256-5677 ext. 1255 for details. Gertrude Gardner Realty.

CHILD CARE NEEDED IN MY B.S.L. home, mostly weekends, for petite 18 month old daughter of highly protective mom. References required. 467-5759.

HOMEMAKER AIDES NEEDED: Part-time, substitutes, Mon-Fri. Valid Driver's license, Auto. Insurance required. 1-800-844-1617. E.O.E.

81 Appliances

REBUILT WASHERS AND DRYERS: Fully guaranteed. We have parts and do repair. We also buy used appliances. Bay Washers. 467-6122.

FOR SALE: REFRIGERATORS, FREEZERS, washers/dryers, OR rent to own, Dollar Rental. 467-9545.

82 Antiques, Collectibles

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83 Items For Sale

CAPTAIN TIMMY'S FRESH OYSTERS \$12.00 a sack Call 467-1727.

CHILD'S LAMBORGHINI ELEC. car, perfect \$100 DP, stepper & ski mach, \$75 467-2189.

CLEAN, GOLD WHIRLPOOL ELECTRIC stove, Model #RYE3650Y-2, \$75. 467-9861.

FOR SALE: LUMBER, MAKE OFFER. 467-3639.

JULY BIRTHSTONE! LARGE MAN'S 14K gold and ruby ring, \$250. Call 255-1317

NORDIC TRACK SPECIAL EDITION, excellent condition, \$325 Call 452-2359.

REALISTIC STEREO W/CABINET. Includes turn-table, AM/FM tuner, dbl. cassette player, CD player & 2 speakers. \$175 Call 467-5626.

84 Furniture

BEAUTIFUL LIVING ROOM SET, like new, paid \$2,000, asking \$600. Also selling king size sofa bed, Lazyboy chair, single bed, other items. 467-6377.

HOTEL MATTRESSES, SEASIDE & SIMONS, king/full/1/2, \$50 up, dressers/night stands, mirrors, stackable chairs, clean refrigerators, stoves & etc. 2 door Pepsi cooler. Heat & air conditioning units. 467-9727.

ONE SOFA, \$175. 255-9592.

RATTAN DINING TABLE, 4 SWIVEL chairs, \$250; new queen mattress sets, queen bedroom suite, new couch, end tables, washer/dryer. 466-2581.

SECTIONAL W/SLEEPER, NEUTRAL colors, excellent condition, \$250. 255-6791/leave message.

85 Building Materials

CERAMIC TILE: Interceramic, Summitville, DAL, KPT, Laufin. 500,000 sq. ft. in stock. Attention: Builders, Floormen, special prices, 88¢ sq. ft. to \$1.80 sq. ft. 1-800-233-6702. FLOOR STORE, Slidell, 1725 Gause Blvd. off I-10, next to Smith & Jones, Buildmart.

METAL ROOFING/SIDING - 6 colors galv. to 24ft. length, 38" wide-28 ga. galv. 99¢ ft. Colors, \$1.19 ft. V-crimp & corrug. 64¢ ft. Ridge cap, rake & corner, purlins \$1.00 ft. Roofing/Siding from \$14.90 sq. ft. Warehouse Sales, Slidell, LA Exit 263 I-10. 800-842-6646.

90 Pets

3/4 CHOW—CHOW, 1/4 PIT PUPPIES. 9 weeks old, \$50. 467-0511.

PURE BRED GERMAN SHEPHERD PUPPIES, 8 weeks old, male, \$100 no papers. Mother & father on premises. 850-7232 leave number.

VERY GENTLE HOUSE-BROKEN FERET. Lovable. Will sell w/cage to a good home, for \$50. 255-4807.

WHO SAYS YOU CAN'T BUY LOVE? Adorable, full-blooded Australian Shepards, 2 female, 2 males, bobtails, \$40 each. They will be ready to move into your heart February 23rd. Call 467-8066, Monday-Friday, 7-9p.m. Anytime weekends.

91 Livestock

TACK SALE: EVERYTHING FROM saddles to soap. Monday Feb. 19, 6:30 PM. Ladner's Regal Auction, 6 1/2 miles east of Hwy. 603 on Firetower Road. 255-1947

93 Yard Sale

DEADLINES FOR YARD, GARAGE SALES advertisements appearing in THURSDAY'S Editions of THE SEA COAST ECHO is 5 p.m. TUESDAY'S.

EVERYDAY IS SALE DAY AT YOUR Bay St. Louis Goodwill Store, Bay Mall Shopping Center, Dunbar & Highway 90. Mon. thru Sat. 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. 467-7277.

96 Wanted To Buy

ANTIQUES, COLLECTIBLES, TOOLS, dolls, furniture. One piece or house full. Call 467-2628.

CLOCKS, WRISTWATCHES, ANY CONDITION, dead or alive. Call anytime 467-7030 days or 466-9151 nites. Don.

96 Wanted To Buy

WE WANT YOUR HOUSEHOLD DONATIONS! WE'LL GLADLY ACCEPT ALMOST ANYTHING!

GULF COAST YOUTH MISSION & CHAPEL

BAY SAINT LOUIS

Please call anytime for pickup... 601/466-2767

Or drop off your donations at...

401 S. NECAISE @ UNION

For more information... 1-800-789-9518 • ASK FOR FR. MONTY

96 Wanted To Buy

QUICK CASH FOR ALMOST ANYTHING before yard sale hassel, moving or cleaning out. We buy households, furniture, antique, tools, toys, bric-brac, etc. Piece or house full. No answer leave message. 467-4857.

WANT TO OWNER FINANCE LAND w/2-3 bedroom trailer. Write to P.O. Box 2691, Bay St. Louis, MS. 39520.

WE BUY (OLD) WATCHES \$\$. Bayou Jewelers, Waveland. 466-0425.

126 Campers/Motorhomes

1976 30FT. TRAVEL TRAILER: Good condition, new refrigerator, hot water heater & window unit. \$4,700. Call 467-5169.

128 Boats & Motors

1994 17 FT. SUNBIRD CORSAIR 170. 90 HP Evinrude. Fish/ski, walk-through windshield, AM/FM Cassette, power trim/tilt, \$6,500. 467-3250/day, 467-5176 after 5pm.

86 MARATHON, 21 FT., TRAILER, great engine, needs foot. Financing available. \$2,800. Call John 466-9522.

2-25' NETS, \$100.00, 2-16', \$150 each, 2 sets of 4' aluminum boards, 28" high. \$400. 200' stainless steel cables w/75' bridge, \$75 each. 467-7528 or 467-1577.

130 Motorcycles

FOR SALE: 82 HONDA XL5 motorcycle. \$800. Call after 6:00 pm. 466-9418.

133 Auto Parts/Service

WE BUY JUNK CARS: CALL ANYTIME. 467-5558.

136 Automobiles

1969 MERCEDES BENZ 300 SEL, black w/black leather interior. P.S., P.B., P.W., loaded! \$3,500. Very rare. Serious inquiries only. 466-4868.

1984 Z-28 CAMARO BODY W/5 speed trans, T-Top, a/c, wheel, \$1,000, 6.9 Ford Diesel motor parts. 8am-8pm. 467-7524.

1990 PLYMOUTH ACCLAIM, 4-dr, auto, am/fm stereo, a/c, excellent condition, 58,000 miles. \$5,000 firm. Call evenings between 6-9pm. 467-5629.

1990 TOYOTA CAMRY LE, 4 DR, automatic, cruise, stereo/tape, power windows, mirrors & locks, 79,000 miles, \$6900. Call 467-5536.

1992 FORD TEMPO GL: 4 door, 27,000 miles, \$1,150. Call 255-8487.

67 MUSTANG - AM/FM STEREO, cassette w/equalizer, PS, PB, air conditioner, alarm. 99% restored, \$10,000 obo. 467-7360. 467-4602.

68 DODGE CORONET: 383 ENGINE, runs good, \$600. Call after 5:00 PM 255-2676.

'88 VOLVO 740 WAGON, PERFECT condition, all options, \$6,000/OBO. 467-0466.

AUTO INSURANCE WITH MONTHLY PAYMENTS as low as \$24. Call Paul Smith Insurance Agency, 467-4607 or 467-1152.

FOR SALE: 1992 CADILLAC SEDAN DeVille. 4-door, loaded, excellent condition. Call after 6:00pm. 601-255-7896.

FOR SALE: 1986 TOYOTA COROLLA, \$2,300. 466-6499.

THUNDERBIRD 1984, LOADED, good engine, needs minor body work, bad transmission. \$275 OBO. 466-9519.

FISHING CAMP, 60x12, 3 BR, LR, kit, ba, Furnished w/appliances, cent. a/h, screened deck. Rent pd. till June. \$8,000. 601-467-1333.

FOR SALE BY OWNER: 1984 Mobile home, 14x70, 2 Br, 2 BA, cent. a/h, financing available. 467-4841.

INSURANCE FOR YOUR MOBILE HOMES: Best Prices on the Coast. Easy monthly payments. Call Paul Smith Insurance Agency, 467-4607 or 467-1152.

OAKWOOD HOMES: WE HAVE 22 beautiful homes and 3 ugly ones. 800-808-0628.

138 Trucks, Vans

1984 BRONCO 11, 4-WHEEL DRIVE. \$2,300. Call 466-3878, after 5pm.

1986 ISUZU TRUCK: RUNS GOOD, \$1,400. 467-0669.

Make Us Your Armchair Advisor ... The Sea Coast Echo

143 Real Estate Service

PROPERTY MANAGEMENT: H. WHEELER Realty SVC. 255-7719.

146 Rooms For Rent

LARGE ROOM, PRIVATE ENTRANCE, furnished, 25" color cable included share bath, downtown BSL. \$65/week. 466-2704.

147 Apt. For Rent

COZY ONE BEDROOM APT FOR RENT: Private balcony, Hwy 90, Waveland. \$350/month. 255-7594.

GULF GROVE APARTMENTS - 1, 2 and 3 bedrooms, \$100 deposit, ask about our 2 bedroom special. Corner of Hwy. 90 & Waveland Ave. Waveland. 467-3122.

2 BEDROOM APT. ALL UTILITIES furnished. \$550/mo. 466-4970/day, 467-6047/night.

LOOKING FOR A LARGE EFFICIENCY or one bedroom in Bay-Waveland area under \$300. Or will live in and take care of your weekend home. Write Ed., 304 Julia St., B.S.L., Ms. 775-466-2704.

MANOR HOUSE APARTMENTS: 1 & 2 bedrooms, close to shopping, beach, school, etc... Monday-Friday 8:30AM-5:30PM, Saturday, Sunday by appointment. 467-6742.

DIAMONDHEAD: ATTRACTIVE 4 Br, 3 BA, spacious family room. Across from golf course. Available now. \$1,175/mo. Call Elton. 1-800-927-4593

DOWNTOWN BSL: CIRCA, 1863 Cottage, excellent shape. Living room, den, 1 Br, 1 BA, kitchen stove, refrigerator, fans, curtains, blinds, picket fence, porch & patio. \$450/mo plus deposit. 466-4361.

LOOKING FOR A RENTAL? CALL US! Ashman Holler Realty Incorporated. 467-5454.

ONE BEDROOM HOME, WATER, LAWN care provided, fenced yard, pet-free environment. \$350/month, \$225/deposit. Call 467-9261.

UNFURNISHED HOUSE FOR RENT: 3 Bedrooms, 1 bath, in the Isles. Move-in condition. \$515/mo. 452-3550.

WATERFRONT: 2 BR, DINING RM, all kitchen appliances, fireplace, lots of closets, 2 lg. decks. Pet free environment. \$500/mo plus deposit. 467-6849.

JORDAN RIVER SHORES: 100 FEET on water, 2 lots, 2 story, 3 bedroom, 3 baths. 2084 sq.ft., fireplace, central air/heat. 255-6530.

NEW 3 BEDROOM, 2 BATH. Many features. \$77,500. Located in Waveland. Call 467-6340.

NOT YET COMPLETE, 3 BR, 2 BA home, \$69,500. Completion date March 1, 1996; and new 2 Br, 2 Ba, 2 story, w/sundeck & pier, \$76,500. Both homes on water. 601-466-2505.

151 Furn. Houses For Rent

CUTE TWO BEDROOM COTTAGE close to beach, BSL. Ramoneda St. \$475/mo. 255-4722. 504-455-4374.

STUDIO COTTAGE NEAR BEACH & casinos. Ceiling fans, fireplace, large screened porch, \$390/month, plus deposit. Water paid. 466-3851 or 255-3413.

2 NEW 3 BEDROOM/2 BATH GOOD CENTS HOME with cathedral ceilings, custom kitchen, ceramic tile plus many extras. Located in Waveland. 100% financing available!

For sale by owner ... 601-467-3518 \$73,500 & \$69,900

149 Mobile Homes For Sale

14X65 MOBILE HOME W/PROPERTY, septic tank & well, w/satellite dish all included. Asking \$20,000 will negotiate. Call 467-7993.

1991 FLEETWOOD: 14X80, 3 bedroom, 2 bath, stove, refrigerator, new carpet, central air/heat, free delivery. First \$16,995 takes it or financing available with \$900 down & approximately \$236/month for 10 years. This one won't last. Call Scott today! Days 388-7773, 6PM-8PM 466-9093.

SAUCIER'S TRACTOR SERVICE: Dumptruck service, topsoil, fill dirt, fill sand, gravel, lot clearing.

STUMPGRINDING: L.J. Saucier 601/467-4720

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For over a quarter of a century, we have consistently served the needs of our customers. For all your electrical needs, put us to work for you.

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149 Mobile Homes For Sale

UNBELIEVABLE 4 BEDROOM MOBILE home. Low monthly. 601-831-8020.

24 ACRES OF LAND FOR SALE: C.C. & Billy Green Road. Frontage on black top road, right off Hwy. 603. Rich high land, never floods, close to schools and church. 300 ft. well, 2 septic tanks. Asking \$3,000/acre, will negotiate. Selling due to health. Phone 1-601-255-3607. Margie Smith.

26 ACRES FULL OF HARDWOOD, paved road, located on Fenton-Dedeaux Rd., Kiln. Will sell all for \$2,500 per acre. Owner will finance half. 467-8287.

44+ BEAUTIFUL HILLTOP ACRES. Dubisson Rd/Harrison Co. Well/electric, gas/barn/fenced-pasture/pecan trees. Great homesite. Part-owner finance. H. WHEELER REALTY SVC. 2

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Public Notice

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OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
E. E. EDWARDS, PLAINTIFF
VERSUS
STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, ET AL., DEFENDANTS
PUBLICATION SUMMONS
CIVIL ACTION NO. 960091

TO: MATHEW BREM, LIVING, WHOSE LAST AND
PRESENT ADDRESS, BOTH POST OFFICE AND
STREET ARE UNKNOWN AND IF DECEASED, THE
UNKNOWN HEIRS AT LAW OF MATHEW BREM OR
DEVISEES; TO: CHARLES C. HAIRSTON AND L.
C. HAIRSTON, LIVING, WHOSE LAST AND PRE-
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STON AND L. GARMADELLA OR DEVISEES; TO:
MID-STATE HOMES, INC.; TO: JOSEPH F. SCHIRO,
IF LIVING, WHOSE LAST AND PRESENT ADDRESS,
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E. LAYNE FLETCHER, WHOSE LAST KNOWN
ADDRESS IS 3336 BARTON ST. MIMS, FLA. 32754,
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OF ELIENE E. RALSTON AND E. LAYNE FLETCHER OR
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NEY, BIRMINGHAM, ALA. 35209, BUT IF LIVING,
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MAILLOUX OR DEVISEES AND ALL PERSONS HAVING
OR CLAIMING ANY LEGAL OR EQUITABLE
INTEREST IN THE FOREGOING PROPERTY, IF
COMPLAINANT, DEFENDANTS, non-residents of the
State of Mississippi, or who are not to be found thereon
on diligent inquiry and whose last known address is
unknown after diligent search and inquiry, said land
being more particularly described as follows:

Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100, 101, 102, 103, 104, 105, 106, 107, 108, 109, 110, 111, 112, 113, 114, 115, 116, 117, 118, 119, 120, 121, 122, 123, 124, 125, 126, 127, 128, 129, 130, 131, 132, 133, 134, 135, 136, 137, 138, 139, 140, 141, 142, 143, 144, 145, 146, 147, 148, 149, 150, 151, 152, 153, 154, 155, 156, 157, 158, 159, 160, 161, 162, 163, 164, 165, 166, 167, 168, 169, 170, 171, 172, 173, 174, 175, 176, 177, 178, 179, 180, 181, 182, 183, 184, 185, 186, 187, 188, 189, 190, 191, 192, 193, 194, 195, 196, 197, 198, 199, 200, 201, 202, 203, 204, 205, 206, 207, 208, 209, 210, 211, 212, 213, 214, 215, 216, 217, 218, 219, 220, 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Community Day of Prayer set March 5

The annual Hancock County Community Day of Prayer service will be Tuesday, March 5 at 10 a.m., hosted by Word of Faith Christian Fellowship at 1399 Old Spanish Trail in Bay St. Louis.

The public is invited to attend the one-hour service. The program is a non-denominational service and is sponsored by the local Association of Ministers and hosted by the churches on a rotating basis.

Ministers on the program include the Rev. Van Carpenter, Main Street and Waveland United Methodist churches; Rev. Ed Deuschle, First Baptist Church; Rev. Ron Skinner, Word of Faith Christian Fellowship, and Rev. Charles R. John-

son will give words of inspiration.

Lay-people taking part include Kathleen Monti, Our Lady of the Gulf Catholic Church; Hattie Lee, Waveland United Methodist Church; Esther Bragg, Word of Faith Christian Fellowship, and special music by Marie Schneller, Waveland United Methodist Church with the RSVP Choir.

Special selections of music will be presented by Sarah, Emily and Samuel Mahler, also the Kingdom Seekers from Word of Faith Christian Fellowship.

The offering will be given to Hancock County Emergency Relief Fund, a charitable entity, funded in part by United Way.

Parent workshops

Tim Moseley, a certified family therapist, will conduct two parent workshops.

Parents who feel frustrated, angry, overwhelmed by a child's behavior, will benefit by attending these sessions Saturday, Feb. 24, 9 a.m.-noon, and Saturday, March 2, 9 a.m.-noon, at the Waveland Elementary School, 1101 St. Joseph Street.

For information, call Barbara Cropp at 466-4913.

Library's story hour

"Let's Get Ready for Mardi Gras" will be the theme of the children's story hour at the Kiln Library Tuesday, Feb. 20 at 10:30 a.m.

Gaston Goes to Mardi Gras, *Conga Crocodile* and *Cornelius* are books to be featured. Children will color a mask and receive refreshments.

"Dragons and Wild Things" will be the theme of the children's story hour at the Bay St. Louis-Hancock County Library on Wednesday, Feb. 21 at 10:30 p.m.

The Last Noo-Noo, *Elvira* and *Where the Wild Things Are*

are books to be read. Children will see a movie and receive refreshments.

Weekly story hours are held September through May. Programs last approximately one hour.

The Kiln Library hosts a story hour every other Tuesday at 10:30 a.m. The programs last approximately 30 minutes, and refreshments are served.

Programs and activities are designed for pre-school age children three to five years old who are not part of a nursery or pre-school group.



MGCCC Steering Committee

Steering Committee members for Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College's new Institute for Learning in Retirement at the Jefferson Davis Campus include, front from left, Elaine Martinich, Gulfport (Membership/Publicity Committee chair); Pat Spring, Perkinston (Curriculum Committee chair); and Agnes Valleck, Biloxi (Administration and Finance Committee secretary); back from left, Lee Musselman, Bay St. Louis, (Curriculum Committee member-at-large); Lucy Bickham, Gulfport (Curriculum Committee secretary); Becky Norris, Gulfport (Curriculum Committee secretary); Connie Parker, Diamondhead (Membership/Publicity Committee secretary); Bill Brewer, Gulfport, and Eula Switzer, Biloxi (Administration and Finance chairs). Pictured at back is Libby McQuillan, who is no longer on the Steering Committee. Both the Jefferson Davis Campus in Gulfport and the Jackson County Campus in Gautier have ILRs. To become a member, you must be at least 50 years old and retired. There are no academic or experience requirements. Call Betty Malone at 896-2549 for information on the Jeff Davis group, or C. P. Winters at 497-9602, ext. 405, for information on the Jackson County group.

Ambrose to autograph new book

Stephen Ambrose, noted historian and biographer (and Bay St. Louis resident) will celebrate the release of his new book, *Undaunted Courage: Meriwether Lewis, Thomas Jefferson and the Opening of the American West*, with an autographing at Bookends Bookstore in Bay St. Louis.

The story of the most

momentous expedition in American history, this book has been 20 years in the making. High adventure, politics, suspense, drama and diplomacy combine with romance and personal tragedy to make this outstanding work of scholarship as readable as a novel.

Ambrose will sign Saturday, Feb. 24 from 3-5 p.m.

Bookends will reserve books for anyone unable to attend and encourages calls at 467-9623 for information.

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